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ALLIES REACH 'VERY DOORSTEP OF BERLIN'

"Shoot On Spot" Order For Retreating Nazis

Hitler Out To "Drown Russian Bolshevism In A Sea Of Blood"

LONDON April 16. (U. P. A.)

A GERMAN REPORT ADMITTED THAT THE ALLIES HAD REACHED ALMOST "THE VERY DOORSTEPS OF BERLIN" WHICH THE REPORT CLAIMED, WOULD BE DEFENDED ACCORDING TO THE MOST MODERN FINDINGS IN THE ART OF DEFENCE.

HITLER'S 'ORDER OF DAY'

LONDON, April 16. (Reuter): The German news agency tonight quoted an 'Order of the Day' issued by Hitler to his armies on the East Front.

It says: "For the last time the Jewish Bolshevist arch-enemy has hurled his masses into the attack".

Hitler issued the 'Order of the Day' urging his troops to arrest at once any officer who decides on retreat. Such an officer is "if necessary to be shot on the spot regardless of what rank he holds."

The whole German people hoped that their soldiers, by their steadfastness and fanaticism, would drown Russian Bolshevism "in a sea of blood"

From Reuter's diplomatic correspondent with the United States' First Army, Monday. General Hodges' infantry captured the 116th Panzer Lehr division with its commanding officer and 3,000 men near Iserlohn in the Ruhr pocket at midnight last night.

General Hodges' troops linked up with General Simson's United States' Ninth Army, four miles north-west of Kolthen eleven miles south-west of Dessau creating a pocket of 350 square miles. In what remains of great Ruhr pocket, Germans are surrendering without resistance.

THREAT TO BREMEN AND HAMBURG

Field Marshal Montgomery's forces have increased the threat to Bremen and Hamburg in the past 24 hours, cabled Reuter's special correspondent at the Twenty-first Army group headquarters to-day.

In Northern Holland German resistance has completely collapsed except for one company of marines still holding out in the northern part of Groeningen.

In Northern Germany, on the other hand, resistance has become firmer along the Kusten canal and Germans are fighting fanatically to block the way to Oldenburg, Wilhelmshaven and Emden.

Last resting place of Franklin Delano Roosevelt: A view of the Roosevelt family plot in the cemetery adjacent to St. James Episcopal Church at Hyde Park, New York, where the remains of President Roosevelt have been buried.

Asaf Ali Seriously Ill

Suffering From Heart Trouble: Grown Very Weak

NEW DELHI, April 16, (Globe): According to information available here, Mr. Asaf Ali, member of the Congress Working Committee, is seriously ill. It is reported that he is suffering from heart trouble and has grown very weak.

It may be recalled that Mr. Asaf Ali was recently transferred from Ahmednagar to Gurdaspur Jail in the Punjab.

The United Press of India adds:

It is learnt that when he passed through Delhi his condition caused anxiety and the assistance of a civil surgeon had to be requisitioned.

Battle For Okinawa

America Assembles "Greatest Naval Concentration So Far In This War"

LONDON, April 16. (Reuter): The Japanese news agency says to-day (Monday) that the gigantic air, land and naval battle being waged on and around Okinawa island is a decisive battle which eclipses the air and naval battle off Formosa and Leyte in secale and ferocity.

Saying that the United States has assembled what is probably greatest naval concentration so far in this war in the waters of the Ryukyus, the agency adds: "an enemy fleet comprising five battleships seven cruisers and over ten destroyers is still shelling Okinawa island".

Allies Capture Taungup

ADV. HQ. ALFSEA, April 16. (A.P.I.): "Taungup, the last Japanese coastal-supply base in Arakan has been captured, and our troops have occupied high ground to the south of the town" says to-day's S E A C Communique.

"FOURTEENTH ARMY FRONT: Rapid progress has been made by our troops operating to the south and south-east of Meiktila.

"Chinese troops of the Fiftieth Division and the First Army continued patrolling yesterday south of Kyaukme, Hsipaw and Mong Yai.

Khemka Loses Appeal In Federal Court

NEW DELHI, April 16. (A. P. I.): The Federal Court has dismissed the appeal preferred against the judgment of the Calcutta High Court by Biswanath Khemka, who was charged with hoarding and profiteering under the Defence of India Rules.

"No Trafficking With Breakers Of Peace"

President Truman Reiterates Demand For Unconditional Surrender Of Axis

WASHINGTON, APRIL 16. (REUTER).

PRESIDENT TRUMAN, IN A SPEECH BEFORE A JOINT SESSION OF CONGRESS, SAID TO-DAY THAT THE GRAND STRATEGY OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE WAR "MUST AND WILL REMAIN UNCHANGED AND UNHAMPERED."

"Our demand has been and it remains unconditional surrender. So that there can be no possible misunderstanding. Both Germany and Japan can be certain beyond any shadow of doubt that Americans will continue to fight our freedom until no vestige of resistance remains.

"To settle for merely another temporary respite would be sure to jeopardise the future security of all the world.

"We will not traffic with the breakers of peace on the terms of peace.

"Hope has become a secret weapon of the forces of liberation. But hope alone is not sufficient to avert war. We must not only have hope but we must have faith enough to work with other peace-loving nations to maintain peace. If wars in future are to be prevented, peace-loving nations must be united in their determination to keep peace under law.

Nothing is more essential to the future peace of the world than the continued co-operation of the nations which had to muster the force necessary to defeat the conspiracy of the Fascist powers to dominate the world.

"To build the foundations of an enduring peace we must not only work in harmony with our friends abroad but we must have the united support of our own people.

"I appeal to every American, regardless of party, race, creed or colour, to support our efforts to build a strong and lasting United Nations Organisation."

The British Foreign Minister Mr. Anthony Eden saw President Truman this morning before the new President, delivered a speech at a joint session of Congress. Mr. Eden was accompanied by the Secretary of State Mr. Stettinius who earlier had a half-hour conference with his new chief

"MESSAGE FROM CHURCHILL"

After leaving the White House, Mr. Eden disclosed to newsmen that he had brought the new President a message from Mr. Churchill.

"I told the President how grateful we are for the close and intimate relations that exist between us in all our affairs."

Truth Behind Von Papen's Arrest

Inference From Find Of Nazi Gold By Allies

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, April 16.

Americans are convinced that Franz Von Papen deliberately laid himself for capture rather than return to Hitler's headquarters. Himmler hates von Papen with the latter fearing a Gestapo "accident" wherein he would be a fatal casualty.

Russians, knowing something of von Papen's activities in Ankara, are watching the situation closely. Americans, however, have agreed to consult Marshal Stalin before finally dealing with von Papen.

Strangely enough, the position is complicated as von Papen is not on the list of war criminals as during the war he held a diplomatic status. One theory is that having lost the war the Nazis have, by no means, despaired of losing the peace. For that reason von Papen was deliberately left behind. Nazis expect to use him to get better terms from the Allies.

NAZI GOLD

There is reason to believe that the German gold reserves were deliberately allowed to fall into Allied hands. The bullion was left in charge of the Director of the Reichsbank. He explained that they had no intention of blowing it up.

He said: "Our main object was to keep the gold intact and not prevent you from getting it. With hundred tons of German gold bullion you would be able to stabilise the mark."

Von Papen and Krupp are apparently being treated as civilian internees, but many will not be surprised if Marshal Stalin demanded von Papen's extradition to Moscow.

Von Papen's son was discharged from a Berlin hospital three weeks ago. He said life in Berlin was very disagreeable. The city was rather disfigured by American bombers. "I had scarcely left the operating room when I had to take air raid shelter, "he said. The junior was shabbily dressed. He was badly in need of a haircut. Asked if his father sought to avoid capture; he replied: "Why should he? Father has nothing to fear. He has nothing but his conscience. He held no diplomatic post after leaving the Turkish embassy."

Von Papen (Senior) showed animation only at one point during the interview with an American Major-General when he told the latter that he was beginning to feel his years. "I am just an old man now"

The American interjected: "You aren't such an old man as you think" von Papen's graven featured crinkled. He smiled for the first time after his arrest, turned towards his son and nodded his head as if he was pleased with the compliment.

During the ride to the American Headquarters, von Papen (Senior) noticed considerable damage in Hamm. He turned towards his son and asked: Did our V-bombs cause all this damage?" When he was assured that American bombs and artillery shells were responsible for the terrific havoc. He seemed to lapse into silence after the remark.

After Berlin Surrenders

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter): After the fall of Berlin the Allies may issue an ultimatum to German forces still resisting giving them a week to ten days to surrender according to the Political Correspondents of the "Daily Express" and the "Daily Mail" today.

The ultimatum which would apply to German troops in Norway, northern Italy, southern Germany, French ports and anywhere else where they are holding out will, correspondents believe, warn them that if they do not surrender they will be treated as outlaws and be liable to be shot at sight.

Special steps would be taken to bring the ultimatum to the notice of U-boat commanders.

Abdul Ghaffar Khan In Delhi

NEW DELHI, April 16, (A. P. I.): Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, arrived here this evening by Frontier Mail "en route" to Peshawar. He was accompanied by his son and three Khudai Khidmatgar volunteers.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan motored to Devadas Gandhi's residence where he will stay for a day. He will leave for Peshawar to-morrow evening by the Frontier Mail.

LAHORE April 16, (U. P. I.): On the plea that the Congress is an unlawful body all Congress meetings of the Rawalpindi District were banned under the Defence of India Rules This order was conveyed to the President of the Rawalpindi workers who arranged a public meeting to condole the death of a Congress detenue in hospital.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (JULY).

New York, April 16.

Previous Closing	22.25
To-day's Opening	22.24
Difference	—01
To-day's Closing	22.31
Difference	+06

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

New York, April 16.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors dol. 67-1/2.
Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 33-1/8
United States Steel Common dol. 66-1/2.
United States Steel Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

Soviet Launch Offensive

Berlin Hears Crash Of Russian Guns

LONDON, April 16. (Reuter): Berlin can hear the crash of Soviet guns opening a new Red Army offensive along the Oder front, reported Walter Plato German overseas news agency correspondent, to-night. "A great frontal offensive on Berlin has been launched between Schwedt and Frankfurt," he declared.

TO LINK UP WITH ALLIES

Marshal Stalin's long-expected general offensive to join up with Allies in the west was opened shortly before dawn to-day and developed rapidly with powerful blows at three points on a 200-mile stretch of front, according to German reports.

The Red Army has established a bridgehead at Schwedt 110 miles from Gen. Simpson's U. S. Ninth Army on the Elbe. At Forst the Red Army is less than 90 miles from Gen. Patton's armour at Dessau.

LINK-UP IN 72 HOURS?

"A meeting between the Red Army and Gen. Patton's forces is possible within the next 72 hours" declared Reuter's Military correspondent to-day.

NOT YET AGAINST BERLIN

Reuter's military correspondent writes: From these reports it appears that the Russian Commander is directing his first blows against Schoerner's main concentration area between Berlin and Dresden and not yet against the capital itself.

INDIAN EDITORS CAN'T GO TO FRISCO

BOMBAY, April 16 (A.P.I.): It is understood that the Government of India have informed the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference that owing to transport and accommodation difficulties, it is not possible to arrange for the three Indian Editors whose names had been recommended by the Conference to attend the forthcoming San Francisco Conference.

Mr. Amritlal Seth, editor of "Janmabhoomi", one of the three nominees of the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference to attend the San Francisco Conference, still hopes to be able to attend the conference although the Government of India has told him that the project must be abandoned for lack of transport and accommodation facilities.

Mr. Seth has sent a telegram to the Government of India asking for passport and exchange facilities within three days. He desires to be given a chance to make independent efforts to secure transport and accommodation.

On further examining the grain levy demand in the Dhanduka taluka of the Ahmedabad District, the Government of Bombay has sanctioned remissions varying from 25 per cent to 100 per cent in 44 "rabi" villages of that aluka.

Bombay Govt's. Post-War Rehabilitation Plans

Collins Explains Scheme For Electricity, Forest And Road Development In Rural Areas

What the Chairman described as a "most memorable" meeting of the Bombay Provincial Rural Development Board opened in the Council Hall, Bombay, on Monday. To hear details of its Post-War Plans and discuss cooperation in working the Plan, the Government had invited representatives of the States adjoining the Province to attend the meeting.

After His Excellency the Governor had declared the meeting open, the Chairman, Mr. G. F. S. Collins, Adviser to the Governor, referred to the loss which the United Nations had sustained through the death of President Roosevelt, and the meeting stood for a few moments in silent tribute.

The Resident in Baroda State, on behalf of the States representatives, stressed the importance of co-operation between the States and the Provincial Government in carrying out plans for post-war rehabilitation. He suggested that, until more permanent machinery had devised, State officials should be permitted to discuss the details of any scheme with the Provincial Authorities.

DEVELOPMENT OF ROADS

Mr. Collins opening the discussion on Post-War Reconstruction said:

I begin with Roads which have been put in the forefront of the programme since it is necessary to get to the villages before they can be developed. The first plans and estimates of the Nagpur plan showed a colossal figure of 199 crores compared with the first estimate of 45 crores, or if the cost of National Highways is deducted, a figure of about 165 crores. It was evident that this would be beyond the ability of the Province to bear, and we have therefore embarked on a revision of the plans on the basis of adopting the minimum specifications and widths as opposed to the desirable as laid down in the Nagpur Plan.

The target figure by this revision will be 90 crores excluding National Highways to be spread over 3 or 4 five year phases and you will see that 200 crores has been provided for the first five year phase.

In the most recent meeting of the Advisory Board at Delhi, the principle that village and minor district roads should be given general priority was put forward by the Government of India and, the Bombay Government readily agreed with this and I hope it will find favour with this Board.

I need refer only to one more item in regard to what is known as the Star and Grid formula for village roads which means that every village of 500 or more inhabitants should have some means of communication.

ELECTRICITY SUPPLY ACT?

The Grid System will entail the promulgation of an Electricity Supply Act. This Act was in the beginning envisaged as a Bombay Act, but it subsequently transpired that the subject was a Central one and the Act will therefore be a Central Act to be approved by other Provinces and, it is hoped, to be adopted by them as well in due course. In fact at the most recent meeting of the Post war Advisory Committee there was a general consensus of opinion that electricity development could best be secured by Quasi-Government Boards.

DEVELOPMENT OF FORESTS

I would like to conclude with a word about forests. The wholesale cutting and exploitation of private forests in tracts such as Kolaba and Salsette have been demonstrated to constitute a real danger. Bengal has promulgated an Act to conserve and exploit by proper forestry management such forests in that Province and the passing of such an Act in this Province is clearly demanded. The other development will be the proper management of village forests comprised in that vague area of minor forests, revenue forests and Government waste lands, which is at present not economically or intelligently used, for grazing and the supply of fuel and other minor forest produce to the villages.

A general discussion on post-war rehabilitation was in progress when the meeting adjourned. The discussion will be continued tomorrow (Tuesday).

Wavell Resumes Talks With Amery

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter): After a quiet week-end in the country, Lord Wavell returned to the India Office this morning and is continuing his talks with the Secretary of State for India, Mr. L. S. Amery, and other Ministers.

MAHATMA SPENDS QUIET DAY

BOMBAY, Monday.

Today being his day of silence Gandhiji spent a quiet day, held prayers and made collections for the Harijan Fund as usual.

Mahatma Gandhi's views on caste system as expressed in his earlier writings have been re-stated by him in the course of a reply to a series of questions sent to him by a friend together with extracts taken out from the Mahatma's own writings.

Mahatma Gandhi writes:

"Instead of undertaking the thankless task of going through the forest of my writings to find out what I have or have not said about caste, you have rightly handed me the following questions for an answer here then is my answer:

"I do not need to refer to my past writings to say what I believe today, and since what is opposite is my present belief. I wish to say that the caste in Hinduism as we know it is ananchronism, must hinder the growth of true religion and must go if both Hinduism and India are to live and grow from day to day. The way to do it is that all Hindus should become their own scavengers and treat the so-called hereditary 'Bhangis' as their own brothers. I take the 'Bhangi', as he is at the lowest rung of the ladder. This answers all the questions and I need say nothing more. But I wish to add that as far as I remember my writings, they contradict the suggestions carried by the questions. Evidently the questioner has not taken the trouble to read my writings .... Everybody knows that the Congress from its inception has not been and is not now an orthodox Hindu body. It is a supremely heterodox democratic body and is daily becoming more and more so probably because of my fostering care."

Will Molotov Woo Truman?

NEW YORK, April 16 (Globe): Stalin could hardly have done anything better to win American sympathies for Russia than order Foreign Commissar Molotov to the United States at the moment after Roosevelt's death

Political circles believe Molotov is coming for more than the San Francisco Conference.

The "New York Times" said today: "The death of Roosevelt and the natural desire of the Russian Government to explore the intentions of the new American Administration were important, if not decisive, considerations in Moscow's change of position. The tendency in Washington is to interpret the visit mainly in relation to the new President rather than San Francisco."

Washington also believes that Anthony Eden will invite President Truman to visit Britain.

"Reuter" adds: The announcement here that the Soviet Foreign Commissar, M. Molotov, is to attend the San Francisco Conference has caused a new feeling of optimism for the Conference's prospects. It is presumed here that M. Molotov will visit President Truman in Washington.

TRUMAN'S PRESTIGE STRENGTHENED

The United Press of America adds: Marshal Stalin's decision to send Foreign Commissar Molotov to San Francisco at President Truman's request has considerably strengthened the new President's prestige among questioning Allied diplomats today. Truman's suggestion to Stalin was seen as a shrewd move to get the new administration off to a good start in the international field.

The presence of Molotov, Eden and Stettinius will put the conference on a foreign minister level, which was generally expected here before the surprise Russian decision, which named Ambassador to the United States Gromyko as leader of the Russian delegation.

MADRAS, April 16, (A. P. I.): Dr. R. M. Alagappa Chettiar, Bar-at-Law, was elected to-day president of the Southern India Chamber of Commerce for the ensuing year.

A purse was presented to Mr. N. S. Kajrolkar by the Chambhar community on Sunday evening at Shirodkar's High School, Parel, at a gathering held under the chairmanship of Mr. B. G. Kher. Photo shows Mr. Kher presenting the purse to Mr. Kajrolkar.

STOP PRESS

2,000 COTTON BALES GUTTED.

KARACHI April 16, (A. P. I.): News has been received of a serious fire which gutted over 2,000 cotton bales kept in the compound of a firm at the village of Digri Tharparkar District.

The damage is estimated at rupees six lakhs. The cause of the fire is not known.

RUSSIANS 30 MILES FROM BERLIN.

LONDON, April 17 (U. P. A.): Russian troops have captured Sachsendorf nine miles south-west of Kuestrin and only 30 miles from Berlin, Radio Berlin reported to-night.

AMERICANS CROSS NEISSE RIVER.

LONDON, April 16 (U. P. A.): The Neisse River has been crossed by sixty American tanks at a point 51 miles north-east of Dresden, Radio Berlin reported to-night.

The 7th Armoured Division has captured Wilsnrode, ten miles north-east of Bremen.

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Mr. E. J. Marquis writes:

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That was Dr. C. L. D'Avoine. I was mothered by him when 12 years of age. His knowledge was profound and he imparted everything to me in the simplest of language.

In his controversies, he was a master of his subject, conducted without rancour or falsehood. But, he was a friend of truth, and withall, a deadly duellist to anything untruthful and biassed.

One can understand how much he sacrificed, as a well-known practising physician, in maintaining his rationalistic viewpoint over a period of 40 years. Slander, prejudice and underhand methods were employed against him without scruple, but regardless of consequences, he held aloft the torch of enlightenment and fairness. His ideas of truth and fairness were vindicated in a Court of Law when he was defended by another great gentleman and scholar, the late Mr. Talyarkhan, an ex-Judge of the High Court of Bombay.

Truth and beauty, in the Greek sense of life, must count. As a monument to Dr. d'Avoine's integrity and profound sincerity, and his inherent love of peoples and principles, regardless of communal affiliations, one has only to go to his dispensary to see all sections of every community represented. His life conveys the lesson that the French people have a sense of humanity.

Of Dr. d'Avoine it can be said without equivocation:

Et sans peur,
et sans reproche.

GERMAN INVENTOR CAPTURED

S.H.A.E.F., April 13 (U.P.A.)—American forces south of Mulhausen have captured Dr. Johannes Belnow who is believed to be the designer of some of Germany's foremost V-weapons. The inventor fled from Stettin with his wife and daughter but was overtaken by the Americans. Documents regarding V-weapons also were captured.

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Convince Churchill That

Warren Hastings Is As Dead As Queen Anne

Harold Laski Exposes Amery's Tactics, And Urges National Govt. For India

LONDON, April 14 (Reuter).—Proposals for settlement of the Indian political deadlock are put forward by Prof. Harold Laski. These were to have been outlined by him at the Amritsar Day meeting yesterday, but he was prevented from doing so by illness.

In a statement issued subsequently Prof. Laski says: "It is the nadir of statesmanship to think that any good whatever is done by Mr. Amery's parrot-like repetition of the fact that the Cripps Offer is still open. He knows far better than I do that the whole strategy of Government is to use the Cripps Offer as a screen behind which Mr. Jinnah can be encouraged to indulge in his fantastic egotism in dreaming of Pakistan, which is marked near cloudland on the map of India.

I am in favour of the transformation of the Viceroy's Council now into a National Government. I think the Commander-in-Chief should be in control of operations and assured of necessary support until the end of the war.

DO IT AS YANKS DID

I think the National Government should be responsible to a National Assembly and should summon a small Convention, which sitting in private, as in Philadelphia in 1787, should draw up the outline of a new constitution for India. I assume that the Indian Prime Minister would give the Viceroy assurances that are desirable about the protection of minorities and their full representation in his Cabinet."

Prof. Laski opines that the resolution passed by the last Labour Party Conference for India represents the strong view of a great mass of their members and adds "a great satisfaction—the defeat of Hitlerism apart—most Socialists will have at the forthcoming break with Mr. Churchill is the sense of liberation from the trammels of his eighteenth century Imperialism.

"When the election comes we shall I hope convince him that Warren Hastings is as dead as Queen Anne. He has not yet heard that this is so."

RIO DE JANEIRO SOLUTION OF TEXTILE PROBLEM
Brozie Cones To The Rescue

WASHINGTON, April 15 (Reuter): Brazil is to make an important contribution to the alleviation of the acute United Nations cotton textile situation, it is announced by the combined production and resources board.

Some 300 million yards of cotton cloth for the next 12 months are involved under an agreement just reached at Rio de Janeiro between representatives of the Combined Boards Textiles Committee and the Comisao Executiva Textile of Brazil. Ninety million yards have been contracted for by the UNRRA for delivery over 12 months. The French Government has concluded orders with Brazil for 60 million yards which, it is hoped, will be delivered this year. During the next 12 months Brazil's annual export is expected to reach nearly 50 million yards.

U. S. LABOUR SPLIT GROWS

NEW YORK, April 14 (Globe): Representatives of International Labour are assembled in Washington to set about drafting the World Labour constitution designed to implement, on the side of the world's workers, what the statesmen at San Francisco will do in the political field.

While labour's international unity is being stressed, division within American labour ranks yawns more widely than ever. The American Federation of Labour holds aloof from the gathering, its spokesmen attacking their old ally the British T.U.C. and Citrine.

Object of the present meeting is to draw up a draft constitution without the A.F.L. and then to submit it to the World Labour Conference in Paris next September for final approval.

Mr. Philip Murray, of the Congress of Industrial Organisations (rival body of the A.F.L.), who is host at the present gatherings, cites as broad objectives the achievement of durable peace, prevention of all forms of aggression, implementation of labour standards and the proposals worked out at the earlier World Trade Union Conference in London.

Wavell Causes A Flutter

LONDON, April 14 (Globe): Viceroy Wavell took time off to cause a mild flutter in the cultural dovecotes of ondon when he made what he called an "unprepared counter-attack against prepared assault" at the Poetry Society's premises, Portman Square. Mr. Alfred Tennyson, grandson of the poet, defended his grandfather against the unflattering comments about Tennyson's works in Lord Wavell's recent anthology.

The "Evening Standard" diarist, who today reports the piquant poetic exchange, says that Tennyson's defence was spirited and aggressive. Lord Wavell, who has long been a member of the Society, said that though Tennyson's actual poetry might be good, the historical content was nowhere very accurate and he quoted reputable historians to prove his point. Apart from its lack of realism, Wavell said that he had been so unimpressed by Tennyson's poetry that he could quote only a little of it.

SUPER-PENICILLIN

LONDON, April 14 (Globe): Synthidin—a synthetic form of penicillin thousands of times more active than the natural drug and produced by American research workers on a British formula—will be on sale in Britain soon.

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Labour Wants £250,000 Election Fund

LONDON, April 14 (Globe): The British Labour Party is appealing for an Election fund of a quarter of a million pounds. Mr. Arthur Greenwood, the treasurer, suggests that trade unions should contribute one shilling for every member—there are nearly 8,000,000. The previous largest amount spent by the Party was £49,000 in 1929.

Indian Famine Fund May Close

LONDON, April 14 (Globe): The Indian Famine Relief Fund sponsored by India House, has reached a total in excess of £38,000. Recent contributions from United Kingdom sources have fallen to small driblets and the desirability of closing down the Fund is being considered.

PLEA FOR NEW DEAL TO INDIA

LONDON, Saturday (A.P.I.)—The plea for the transfer of fuller responsibility to Indians at the Centre; resumption of responsible Government in the Provinces: and making possible the start of the framing of a new constitution for India is made in a letter in the "Times" today, signed by the Warden of the All Souls College, Oxford, Prof. W. G. S. Adams, and six others. These are Miss Margery Fry, former Principal of the Somerville College, Oxford, Mr. A. D. Lindsay, Master of the Balliol College, Oxford, Mr. F. Pethick-Lawrence, Labour Member of Parliament, and Mr. Norman Goodall, Mr. Carl Heath, and Mr. J. Z. Hodge.

The letter reads: "Lord Wavell's return to this country for purposes which include discussion of India's constitutional and political future has quickened the hope which we are convinced is widely and deeply felt, that at a time when many great events are moving to their climax, we may at last witness resolution of the wearisome deadlock in India, and the beginning of a new period of creative co-operation both within India and between India and Great Britain.

"This expectation has been powerfully expressed in your editorial columns recently. We write to identify ourselves with your plea that Britain should resume the initiative and help India to achieve political maturity as envisaged in the Cripps proposals.

"Some possible lines of action have already been discussed in your columns and it is not our purpose to pursue them in detail.

We share, however, that widespread expectation of Government action which will firstly within the existing constitution transfer fuller responsibility to Indians at the Centre and facilitate resumption of Responsible Government in Provinces; and secondly make possible the immediate beginning of the task of framing a new constitution in which free and responsible collaboration of the leaders who are now detained is essential.

"We write in responsible awareness of the burdens which rest upon Lord Wavell, and still more upon those whom he consults in this critical hour. But we also write in the conviction that a new endeavour to heal India's political distresses at this time will materially aid in the larger healing of nations."

Syud Hossain On India's Independence

NEW YORK, April 14 (U.P.A.): The National Committee for India's Freedom intends at the San Francisco Conference to demand a clear-cut declaration by the participating nations on the question of freedom. Mr. Syud Hossain, speaking for the Committee, said today. He added: The Committee will consider Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit as its spokesman at San Francisco, Syud Hossain said. The death of President Roosevelt "was a grievous loss to all the forces of liberalism in the world."

"Everything possible will be done at San Francisco to obtain from the delegates of the United Nations some affirmative and concrete declaration regarding India's right to be free," Syud Hussein said.

Unless the Conference makes some statement affirming the principle of an international trusteeship for the rights of subject nations to freedom, then there will be a tremendous disillusionment among all colonial peoples", the speaker continued.

And, he added, as a warning, disillusionment of the colonial peoples certainly will not make for a peaceful and harmonious world.

FOURTH GERMAN ECONOMIST REACHES SWEDEN

STOCKHOLM, April 13 (Globe).—Reich-counsellor Doctor Walter has arrived in Sweden. He is the fourth German economist to land here within a fortnight. It is believed that their job is to try to save German money in Sweden.

Indian Textile Art

MANCHESTER, April 14 (Globe): Original designs for textiles by art students in India will be a feature of the Textile Design Exhibition opening here next week at the Cotton Board's Colour, Design and Style Centre.

NATORE, April 14 (A. P. I.): Twenty-five persons, including nine women, were arrested recently following a scuffle between a police party and some villagers of Durgapur, P.S. Singra. All the women were subsequently released on bail.

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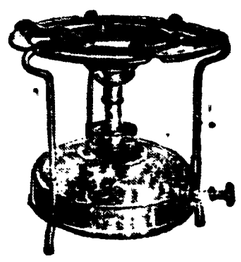

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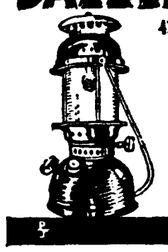

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Position Still Serious On Food Front

Bombay Governor Urges Need For Co-operation Between States And Provinces To Solve Post-War Problems

BOMBAY, Monday.

"I believe that there is much which the Provinces can learn from the States, and the States may learn from the Provinces with regard to post-war planning. We know that Baroda has several very interesting schemes either in being or under consideration, e.g., the buying out of the landlords in certain villages and the making of experiments in these villages in various forms of State controlled co-operative farming", said His Excellency, the Governor of Bombay in his address to the Provincial Rural Development Board to-day.

He referred to a Blue Book giving plans for Bombay's post-war rural reconstruction. These plans fall under four categories; he pointed out: (1) Special Priority Schemes; (2) All Privince Schemes; (3) Particular Areas Schemes; (4) Concentrated Area Schemes. And in working these plans out it very soon was clear that we could not regard the Presidency as a single unit enclosed in a water-tight compartment.

It was suggested, and the suggestion was accepted by the Political authorities of the Government of India, that Bombay should invite representatives from other Provinces and the States to attend this meeing, he said.

"I think that nothing but good can come out of discussion and consultation regarding post-war reconstruction, to ensure the largest possible development of the country-side, for the good of all concerned. I should like to make clear that this meeting is not an attempt to put pressure on Bombay's smaller neighbours, but it is rather hoped to be an opportunity for exchange of valuable information, he said urging the necessity of discussion on the post-war plans between the States and the Provincial authorities.

We shall not to-day, of course, decide the best agency or agencies for co-operation in reconstruction between various Provinces and States, but before lunch to-day we shall be shown a film kindly lent by the United States Office of War Information regarding the Tennessee Valley Project. That is an experiment—or rather it is more than an experiment—in the United States for the rehabilitation of a large area, not by an overriding central authority, but by an authority which has worked with, and combined by voluntary agreement, the various local authorities in the area under reconstruction. Further details of how this was done will be found in the Penguin Book, which I think we have all received.

Of course, what may be suitable for the United States may not be suitable in detail for India, he remarked and added that it does seem likely that some such authority, some such delegation of powers, some such surrender of powers to another authority, some such co-operation among local bodies, may provide a solution of problems in the post-war recontruction of India which involve more than one self-governing area.

To envisage more clearly some of our local problems, perhaps I may give some examples of the problems we have met with. First, to take that prime necessity, food, it would have been far easier to arrange for the grain supplies of the Deccan, if the Bombay Government and the Deccan States could have treated the whole area as one unit. In fact, as I expect you know, the Political Agent, Kolhapur, and the Bombay Government had worked on a scheme to this end, but it was not found possible to put into practice.

That such co-operation may be practicable is shown by the fact that the Government of Bombay used to conduct the Excise administration of some of the smaller States and collected the revenue for the State authorities. This worked on the whole well and its cessation, however, has in some cases at least led to difficulties for both parties, he pointed out.

I am glad to know that some of the Deccan States are anxious to adopt our bunding methods and to co-operate with us in this important matter, he said.

FOOD SITUATION STILL SERIOUS

It is necessary perhaps for me to emphasise that, as far as one can tell, the food situation in India is still serious. There has been, what we should call a famine, in Australia, which will preclude any large supplies of wheat from that country. It is likely that there will be extreme difficulty in supplying food for the devastated countries of Europe, and also we must anticipate that supplies will have to be sent also to liberated countries in the Far East.

The need, therefore, for the Bombay Presidency, which is so deficient in food grains, to push on still further with the growth of food crops, remains as vital as ever, and we must not be misled by those, who seem to think that, as soon as the war ends, there will be a sudden and miraculous import of food into India and an unprecedented export of short staple cotton, which will justify the cultivator turning from the growth of food crops to growing short staple cotton. Such diversion could only end in disaster to India.

I think we may rightly congratulate ourselves on the very good response which the Bombay cultivator has given to Government's advice to grow more food, and on his compliance with the Grow More Food Act, which has resulted in nearly a million and a quarter more acres than last year being put under food crops this year, and in a reduction of cotton by over a million and a half acres. This has gone a long way towards helping the problem of the food supply of the Province.

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Playing sparkling hockey, Kalyanmal Sporting Club from Indore eliminated G.I.P. Railway Headquarters from the Aga Khan Cup Tournament at the Azad Maidan on Monday. Although a solitary goal separated the contending parties at the end of the day, the visitors were good for half a dozen of them on the run of play.

The Indore players were superior to the Provincial Champions in every department of the game. Their stick-work and positional play was superb. They monopolised the attacking operations most of the time. Their untiring centre-half, Durga Prasad, was conspicuous in helping both their forwards and defence.

DONNELLY'S SPLENDID GOALKEEPING

The Railwaymen, on the other hand, never played like a solid combination. Their forwards were particularly guilty of individualistic efforts. Munir, their brilliant inside-left was the chief culprit in this respect. He totally forgot that there was a winger of the stamp of Gurbachan Singh on his left. Hakim was safely bottled up by the opposing halves. The only man who saved the Railway from a severe trouncing was Donnelly, their resourceful custodian. But for his timely interceptions, the Provincial Champions would have been down by a heavy margin.

WINNING GOAL BY LIAKAT

Thanks to the failure of two of the Indore forwards to utilise a lovely pass from the left-wing the Railway was saved from a goal in the very first minute. Persistent pressure saw them forging ahead Liakat, their centre-forward, scoring from close quarters. More chances came their way. But either poor target shooting on the part of the Kalyanmal forwards or good goal-keeping by Donnelly kept the score down. A little before the break, the Railway had an excellent opportunity of equalising but Munir failed to convert a penalty-bully.

The second half saw the Railwaymen pinned into their own territory. Their defenders were hard put to it to hold the Indore marauders at bay. Rarely their forwards had a chance to visit the opposite camp. Nonetheless they were offered the golden opportunity of levelling up matters through a second penalty-bully. Again it proved abortive. With their exit from the tournament, Bombay's last hope was gone. Kalyanmal Mills will now meet Bangalore's sporting in the penultimate round.

TODAY'S SEMI-FINAL

6 p. m. Kirkeeans vs. Kamla Club, Cawnpore.

CITY AND SUBURBS

To-day

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Hightide: 3-57, 17-02
Lowtide: 10-08, 23-14.

To-day's Engagements

GATHA SOCIETY: Mr. Sohrabji N. Kanga will discourse on "An explanation of Atash Nyaish" to-day, at 6 p.m. at the K. R. Cama Oriental Institute, 136 Apollo Street, Fort.

ROTARY CLUB OF BOMBAY: Weekly Luncheon Meeting, to-day, at 1-30 p.m. at Green's Hotel. Rotarian Sir B. Rama Rau, will speak on "Indian Problem in South Africa".

MARINE GENERAL INSURANCE CO. LTD.: First annual general meeting of shareholders at Company's Office, Maneklal Chambers, 1st Marine Street Dhobitalao, at 4 p.m., to-day.

THE ASTHIKA SAMAJ RAMA NAVAMI FESTIVAL: 9-00 p.m., to-day. Music concert by Shrimathi Chellammal and Party

BOMBAY PRESIDENCY WEIGHT LIFTING ASSOCIATION: The 2nd Annual Bombay Presiding Weight-Lifting Championship meeting will be held on Sunday, April 22, 3-30 p.m. (S. T.), at the Aryan Education Society's High School near Opera House Tram Terminus, Girgaum. Further particulars can be had from the Hon. Secretary, Bombay Presidency Weight Lifting Association, Kalyan Nivas, Telang Cross Street, Matunga (G.I.P.).

TO SET YOU THINKING: Lady Rama Rao, Mr. P. D. Ranganathan and Mr. Kanji Dwarkadas participate in this programme of questions and answers which is to be broadcast to-day, at 9-45 p.m. Mr. Frank Moraes conducts the programme as Question-Master. Listeners will hear the participants replying to questions on the post-war status of women, post-war labour problems and on the Bevin Boys Scheme.

ALL-INDIA RADIO: Bombay will broadcast running commentaries of the semi-finals and finals of the Agha Khan Hockey Tournament beginning from to-day, April 17, from 5-55 p.m. to 7-15 p.m., on 41.44 metres only. The commentator will be Mr. A. F. S Talyarkhan

INFORMATION DIRECTORATE: The offices of the Directorate of Information of the Government of Bombay have been moved from the Sir J. J. School of Art Building to the Industrial and Prudential Assurance Building in Churchgate Street (opposite Churchgate Station). For the present telephone numbers are unchanged.

BOMBAY SANITARY ASSOCIATION: Annual general meeting of the Association together with an exhibition on 'General Sanitation and Water' will be held in the Hall of the Sanitary Institute, Princess Street, on Friday, April 20, at 11-30 a.m. Mr. I. H. Taunton will preside.

ALL-INDIA VEERASAIVA MAHASABHA: The 15th Session of the All-India Veerasaiva Mahasabha will be held at Tumkur Mysore, April 28 and 29. Mr. C. C. Hulkoti, Retired District Judge of Dharwar, will preside. It is proposed to hold an All-India Veerasaiva Merchants, Women and Sahitya Conferences as adjuncts to the Mahasabha. The names of the presidents and the time of the sessions will be announced later.

Tagore's Birthday Celebration In Udaipur

The Tagore Society, Udaipur, is celebrating the birthday week of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore from May 1 to May 7. An All-India Newspapers and periodical exhibition will be organised at Udaipur on the occasion. Sir T. Vijayaraghavacharya, Prime Minister, Mewar Government, Udaipur, will perform the opening ceremony of the exhibition.

A. T. Hockey Tournament: Karachi Players In City

The following members of the Karachi Parsi Hornets Sports Club arrived in Bombay on Sunday morning to participate in the All-India Cyclist Hockey Challenge Cup Tournament. They are playing their first round on April 18 against the Bombay Cyclist Club on the Provincial Ground. S. J. Hira, (Captain), S. K. Irani, M. J. Merchant, M. N. Dinshaw, A. B. Bhapoo, R. K. Irani, R. H. Khurngara, H. K. Irani, G. Motishaw, F. B. Marotia, B. H. Bharucha, J. K. Irani, D. Mana.

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Swan Ink which at present is sold at Rs. 1/- per bottle will come down in price to annas 9 per bottle and the price of Parker Quink 2 oz. size bottle will come down from Rs. 1-8/- to annas 14 with effect from May 1, 1945, as the result, it is learnt, of a meeting which the Controller General of Civil Supplies recently had with the importers and dealers in fountain pen inks at which it was decided to bring down the prices of inks from 250 per cent profit margin over landed cost to 100 per cent profit margin.

'Quake Near Kamchatka

An earthquake shock of moderate intensity with its epicentre about 5,195 miles away from Bombay, probably near Kamchatka, was recorded by the seismographs in the Colaba Observatory at 09 hours 17 minutes 1st on Sunday, April 15.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

TUESDAY, April 17.
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244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 M. Siddiq. 8-45 Violin. 8.50 News (M). 9.0 News (G) 9.10 To-morrow. 9-15 AIR Trio. 9-25 Bhajan. 9.40 Susheelabai Honnavarkar. 12-30 p.m. Bhavgeet (M). 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Music from Film. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 Music. 2.30 Break for Lunch. 4-20 Indira Y. Dandekar (Vocal) 4.35 Siddharana Jamboldini. 5-0 Gujrat Flood Relief. 5.15 Flute. 5.35 Bhavgeet. 5.45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6.0 Susheelabai Honnavarkar 6.30 News (E). 6.40 News (H). 6-45 Matters of Moment. 6.50 Indira Y. Dandekar (Vocal) 7.0 People's diet (M). 7.15 Kasambhal. 7-35 Jaltarang Solo 7.45 Siddharana Jamboldini. 8.15 News (M). 8-30 News (G) 8.45 M. Siddiq 9-0 News (H). 9.20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9.45 To Set You Thinking. 10-15 Shanti Seidon; Pianoforte. 10-45 Interlude. 10-50 Hilda Flanders.

Muslim Educational League Benefit Performance

The need to support the Muslim Educational League was stressed by Mr. A. A. Jasdanwalla, Honorary Secretary of the Cricket Club of India presiding over the League's seventh variety entertainment given in aid of the Free Night High School at the Sir Cowasji Jehangir Hall on Sunday evening.

A programme consisting of comic songs, Indian dances and a show of thrilling magic by Mr. Daddo Kably was gone through before a large gathering.

It was announced at the entertainment that a sum of Rs. 10,000 was collected by Mr. F. E. Darukhanwalla and Messrs. Dada Brothers. Mr. Jasdanwalla gave Rs. 1,001 and Mr. Hussain A. Begmahomed presented 12 typewriters.

Mr. F. E. Darukhanwalla stated that pre-education was imparted to the labour class. The league was running a Free Night High School at Nagpada where 175 children attended and 14 appeared for the Matriculation examination this year.

They have also started short-hand and typewriting classes. He appealed for generous support.

Skim Milk For Suburban Restaurants

From Sunday, April 22, milk will be distributed to the milk ration card holders in the Municipal areas of Bandra, Kurla, Parle-Andheri, Ghatkopar-Kiroj and Juhu and in the Chembur village in the Bombay Suburban District. In order to make the necessary supply of milk available for such distribution the Government of Bombay has decided to require the restaurants situated in these areas in the Bombay Suburban District not to use cow's or buffalo's milk (including tinned milk) for preparing tea and and coffee. The restaurants in these areas in the Bombay Suburban District will be issued Skim Milk powder.

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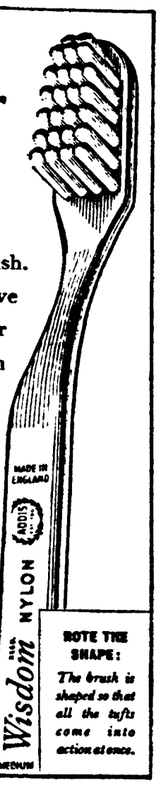

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The Bombay Chronicle

RURAL DEVELOPMENT

A notable feature of the meeting of the Bombay Rural Development Board now being held in the city is the attendance at it of representatives of several states and other provinces. That is because it is now realised by all that there cannot be much extensive planning without the co-operation of the States and provinces vitally affected by it. For instance, as pointed out by the Governor at the meeting, wherever the land of one province or State lies above that of another, it is necessary that both should be taken up for consolidation simultaneously, as it is useless to build bunds at the bottom of a hill unless bunds or trenches are also made all the way up to the watershed on the top of the hill. Similarly when roads or irrigation canals have to be planned so as to run through States or other provinces it is difficult, if not impossible, to carry out the plans without the fullest co-operation of all these interests. In fact it is mainly owing to the lack of such co-operation that many of our food difficulties have not yet been got over. One can only hope the position will be better hereafter. Speaking of even the country as a whole the Governor rightly remarked: "We have to look to the future of India, and realise that India cannot be culturally and economically penned in small compartmental units, but that the country must in principle be developed as a whole, and that the post-war reconstruction deserves the most serious consideration by all in India."

The utmost possible co-operation is now necessary throughout the country with regard to food supply. There has been scarcity even in Australia and it is not possible to expect any large supplies from that country. Moreover, as the Governor has reminded us, it is likely there will be extreme difficulty in supplying food for the devastated countries of Europe and supplies will also have to be sent to liberated countries in the Far East. So far as our own province is concerned, it is encouraging to be told that the Grow More Food campaign has resulted in nearly a million and a quarter more acres than last year being put under food crops this year. With regard to the levy system the Governor's observations are not quite reassuring. He said that in several areas there was a failure of some of the seasonal rains but we have obtained from the cultivator far more grain this year than we did last year". The mere fact that so much has been wrung from the cultivator is hardly gratifying as it may mean that enough is not left to him. And as matter of fact there have been numerous complaints to that effect from the cultivators.

Another notable feature of the present meeting of the Rural Development Board is that it has before it the Bombay Government's blue book on Post-war Reconstruction in Bombay Province, which purports to be a fuller exposition of the plans briefly indicated in the last pamphlet "The Future of Bombay's Country Side". The Government claims that the whole plan "aims at covering all aspects of non-industrial development but does not deal with large-scale industry" as "industrial reconstruction is dependent on planning by the Government of India and for it India must be regarded as a whole and industries must be located where they can be worked most economically". But provinces cannot wholly disclaim responsibility in this matter. "It is likely," says the Bombay Government, "that the Government of India will constitute sub-committees and panels composed of prominent industrialists to assess the possibilities of industrial development in the province." This preliminary work might well have been already entrusted to the industrialists. But it appears that in respect of industries which may compete with similar ones in Britain neither the Government of India nor the present Government of Bombay is particularly eager. But that throws a heavier responsibility on the industrialists to be as self-reliant as possible in their enterprise, in the confidence that, whatever may be the attitude of Government, the people are sure to continue to be staunch supporters of Swadeshi industries, so long at any rate as the interests of labour and the consumers are duly safeguarded.

Arbitrary And High-handed

Mr. Suryanarayan Sharma, General Secretary of the Central India States' Journalists' Conference and the representative in Central India and Rajputana of the "Bombay Chronicle" and several other papers, has been served with a notice by the Indore Government debarring him "from sending or disseminating any news or article or writing and causing to be sent such news or article or writing by post, telegram or otherwise without precensorship of the same." The Government makes a show of giving a reason for such an arbitrary and hig-handed order and says vaguely that it "is satisfied" that such an order is necessary "to prevent Mr. Sharma from continuing to act in a manner prejudicial to the maintenance of public order and His Majesty's relations with the Indian State" This is utterly convincing in the absence of any specific charge against him showing how he has acted prejudicially. One rather suspects he is being prevented from giving publicity to the wrongs committed by the officials in the State and the grievances of the people. The order is an unwarranted attack on the most elementary liberties of the press and a gross abuse of the power conferred by the Defence of India Rules. The State Praja Mandal, the Central India States Journalists' Conference and the State people should take up the matter seriously as, unchallenged the order may be followed by more drastic ones.

Frankly Speaking

Unconvincing Plea

It was the Government of India themselves who had asked the All-India Newspaper Editors' Conference to nominate three representatives of the Indian Press for the San Francisco Conference. They had also taken it upon themselves to arrange for the transport and accommodation of those representatives. We are, therefore, entitled to assume that Government knew what they were doing. Now they have suddenly discovered that "owing to transport and accommodation difficulties" they cannot arrange for the three Indians to attend the Conference. We are afraid it is difficult to regard Government's excuse as convincing. We are, not unaware of the pressure on air transport from India and on accommodation in San Francisco. What we cannot accept is that an important group of men—their importance was admitted by Government themselves when they voluntarily issued the invitation—do not deserve high priority in travel or that accommodation simply cannot be found in San Francisco for such a group. And they are no more than three, too. The question remains: Why have Government suddenly fought shy of sending the three Press representatives to San Francisco? Has it anything to do with their and the British Government's sensitiveness, grown more acute recently, regarding the problem of India's status and India's "representatives" at San Francisco?

Incredible

Sensational news is reported by "the Government-controlled Scandinavian Telegraph Bureau from the German capital today." According to it, small American armoured detachments had actually reached "the western suburbs of Berlin" before they were forced to turn back. This is hardly believable. The Elbe still remains a barrier between Berlin, 50 miles away and General Eisenhower's forces. It is known that the Elbe had so far been crossed at only two points. The first bridgehead, however, was eliminated, the Americans having had to be withdrawn. The second bridgehead was, till Saturday, only 4 miles deep and the Germans were offering stiff resistance. In fact, the latest report on Sunday was that Marshal Busch, who is now in command of "north-west" Germany, had succeeded in organising some sort of defence on the Elbe and the western and south-western approaches to Berlin.

Sensation Impending

That is not to say, however, that sensational news is not impending. Eisenhower's armies are streaking across central Germany towards Dresden and the Czech frontier. Another is driving south-east towards Austria. To meet them Marshal Tolbukhin and Marshal Malinovsky are driving through Austria and Czecho-Slovakia. Distances separating the Russians and the Allies are fast shrinking along several lines. And, above all, while Busch is trying to hold Eisenhower in the West, Zhukov, according to the Germans themselves, has practically begun his massive assault in the direction of Berlin not more than 35 miles away. We will certainly have sensational news in a few days.

Mikolajczyk's Statement

Among the many critical problems that President Roosevelt's untimely death has rendered more difficult is that of Poland. As the situation at present is, no Big Three agreement has been reached regarding the reorganisation of the Provisional Government at Lublin. And it is another factor in the crisis that the San Francisco Conference is meeting in a very few days' time. Some hope, however, is held out by M. Mikolajczyk's intervention. The Polish ex-Premier has issued a statement, which, quite friendly as it is to Russia, may yet be utilised to solve the difficult problem. The Big Three or their representatives could use M. Mikolajczyk to great advantage.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

A charge of bayonets sometimes is made for the purpose of gaining credit.

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Some women's idea of happiness consists in supposing themselves the envy of all their friends.

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What a pity it is that people who worry over trifles haven't something worth-while to worry them.

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Nothing: Something the rich man wants, the poor man has the miser spends and the spendthrift saves.

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The trouble with some men is that they work too hard trying to get things they don't need and never ought to want.

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It is said that all the mean acts of his life are quickly brought before a drowning man. The same might be said of a candidate for office.

"Will Conciliate Nobody"

R. K. Mukerjee Resents Parity Clauses In Sapru Proposal

LUCKNOW, April 16 (U.P.I.): Dr. Budha Kumud Mookerjee, President of the All-India Nationalist League, in a statement on the Conciliation Committee's Report says that the report is vitiated by a fundamental defect which will make it completely unacceptable to the communities whom it seeks to conciliate. The Hindus, he says, are bound to feel that too much price has been paid at their cost to conciliate a community that is not easily to be conciliated without any regard for the limits of such condition. Artificial constitutional arrangements for a country cannot override its fundamental social fact erected by Nature and history.

While the Hindus cannot accept the scheme the Muslims, for whose appeasement the price of this glaring injustice to the Hindus has been offered, will not accept the condition attached to it namely, joint electorates.

Another dangerous and unacceptable corollery of the scheme is the extension of this unjust principle of parity as against the Hindus from the Legislature to the executive and to every sphere of administration. It is not recognized that Public Service is a national trust to which recruitment can be made only on the basis of merit and maximum qualifications and not minimum qualifications involved in communal recruitment on the basis of number without reference to quality.

It is a pity, says Dr. Mookerjee in conclusion, that the labours of the Conciliation Committee will end in conciliating no body.

"Test-Tube" Food For Starving Millions

NEW YORK, April 14 (Globe): As a result of experiments last summer, when a group of research students lived for several weeks entirely on synthetic food tablets, science has won a fighting chance to salvage millions of half-starved human wrecks left in the wake of war.

Their weapons are "Amino acids." Made of proteins, they are elementary building blocks of all human tissue, blood and body chemicals which build tissue. They help restore people who have starved to a point where they cannot readily assimilate protein foods. America's drug and chemical industry is mobilising to provide them on a mass production scale.

A group of nutrition specialists equipped with these life-savers are reported following the armies into devastated Europe. Already there are many known uses for Amino acids, which are, in effect, predigested food, and it is reported that they have a host of explored and unexplored medical possibilities.

It is thought that this new knowledge may help to solve the world's food problems, as proteins are the most important of foods, though generally the most expensive.

The producers, anxious to avoid the kind of public furore that arose over vitamin discoveries, say there is no scientific basis for popular use of Amino acids, which are foods to be eaten by the ounce and by the pound, and not by the milligram, as are vitamins. They are not required as drugs by normal, well-fed people.

LIBERATED WOMEN REACH PARIS

PARIS, April 15 (U.P.A.): Throngs Parisians, many of whom alternately laughed and wept, tured out yesterday to greet 200 women political deportees who were returned here from the Nazi concentration camp at Ravensbruck.

Gen. Charles de Gaulle headed a welcoming committee and embraced the leaders of the group. Most of the women were seized during the German occupation for aiding Allied aviators.

THREE-DAY FEAST TO CELEBRATE PEACE

BEIRUT, April 14 (Globe): Elaborate preparations for celebrating peace are said to be in hand by the Lebanese Government. Three days of celebrations are planned, with feasts, free cinemas, race meetings and theatres. All minarets in the country will be lighted and all church bells will be rung when the news is received.

COURT CAUSERIE

By "Nestor"

WHAT IS "GHEE"?

"Hope of ill gain is the beginning of loss", said an ancient writer. It is true that cases of cheating in which army contractors mix noxious and harmful ingredients in articles meant for the consumption of troops should as a rule be severely dealt with. But we wonder whether Sheroo Khodadad Irani who was convicted by our High Court last week in the celebrated Poona Ghee Case really deserved the harsh sentence that was meted out to him. Sheroo was found guilty of having cheated the Government of India by supplying to the Military Supply Depot at Poona as ghee, a mixture containing 80 p.c. vegetable oils and the balance ghee, which the judges were of opinion could neither in comon sense nor in any other sense be classed as "ghee". Having regard to the "ghee" which we get in Bombay markets, we doubt very much the correctness of their lordships' view. Most of this "ghee" is invariably adulterated with inferior types of fat and other ingredients harmful for human consumption. "Vegetable Ghee" is knowingly consumed by a large proportion of the public which rightly prefers it to the noxious mixtures sold in the market. The sample submitted by Sheroo Irani to the military authorities was actually examined by a board of V.C.O.s who certified it as suitable for troops and it was not disputed that what was supplied corresponded to this sample. But it was held by the High Court that this was a sale by sample as well as by description, and that the goods supplied did not answer to the description "ghee". As stated above, we doubt the proposition that it could not be called "ghee." At any rate in view of the examination of the sample by a Board of V. C.O's where, indeed, was the deception which is essential to constitute the offence of cheating? On this point, the judgment of the High Court is not convincing when it states that it was not for the V.C.O.'s to make a detailed analysis of the sample.

In confirming the sentence of three years' rigorous imprisonment and a fine of Rs. 1 lakh passed by the Special Tribunal on Sheroo Irani, their lordships observed that his illegal gain had been acquired by taxing from Indian soldiers in war time that which the authorities intended to provide for their welfare and that had it been open to their lordships to do so, they would have increased both the imprisonment as well as the fine. Even assuming that it amounted to cheating, we cannot help feeling that the High Court took an unduly severe view in the matter of sentence, having regard to the fact that vegetable oils could not have done any harm at all to the troops and are indeed recognized as healthy ingredients of human food.

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OFF TO SOMALILAND!

A recent number of the "Law Quarterly Review" points out that it is interesting to note that the Bar of British Somaliland seems to consist of a single individual! In a recent case the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council set aside a conviction for tribal murder by the Court of Appeal of the Somaliland Protectorate on the ground that that Court had acted wrongly in refusing to adjourn the matter because the only counsel of the Bar was unable owing to war conditions to reach the Court in time to conduct the appeal. Our solicitors seem to think that even the Bombay Bar consists of only half-a-dozen individuals and they too frequently ask for adjournments on the grounds that no counsel was available! So off to Somaliland, for when civil litigation developes there, they are sure to need one more counsel to represent the other side. But our readers need be under no apprehension —we shall certainly continue this series even from far-off Somaliland.

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HIGH COURT REPORTING IN THE PRESS

With the exception of three or four leading newspapers in the city, the reporting of High Court cases in the press is far from satisfactory—and even in the case of those three or four with improved facilities it can be still better. It is beyond the reach of even the most flourishing newspapers to engage the elaborate staff necessary for perfectly accurate and very prompt reporting. The "Bombay Chronicle" is one of the very few papers that have engaged the services of members of the Bar for this purpose. The lesser newspapers send ordinary news-reporters who are naturally inadequate to the difficult task of accurately condensing into a few sentences elaborate judgments on intricate points of law, and are unable to get the same facilities from the High Court staff as professional men. Moreover, in case of written judgments there are no separate copies available for the various reporters who are always in a hurry to send in their reports as soon as possible. With a view to removing these difficulties and ensuring good and prompt reporting, we would suggest the setting up of a Board of Newspaper Reporters for the High Court, to consist of two members of the Bar assisted by two short-hand typists and a translator into vernacular. This Board should be officially recognized by the High Court whose staff should have instructions to render prompt assistance to it in every possible way. The salaries and expenses of the Board should be contributed to by the various newspapers and the Board should furnish all the contributing newspapers with copies of the case or cases which it decides to report from day to day. This would ensure promptness as well as accuracy and uniformity in the matter of reporting and remove every one of the difficulties dealt with above. Of course, courts of law are open to everybody, and a newspaper or two may well refuse to contribute to the Board, but it could hardly hope to compete with the reporting in the contributing newspapers. To the contributories, the expense would be very small indeed and within the reach of all. As far as the High Court itself is concerned, the correct reporting which would result if our suggestions be carried out, would certainly enhance its prestige in the public mind.

"Free India, Practical Necessity For Shortening War"

'FRISCO DELEGATES ASKED TO PLEAD FOR CONGRESS LEADERS' RELEASE

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter): The Federation of India Association in Great Britain has sent a memorandum to the embassies and delegations in London of the countries and Governments invited to the World Security Conference asking their representatives to urge the immediate release of Indian political leaders and the formation of a representative national Government.

The memorandum, signed by Iqbal Singh, the Honorary Secretary of the Association, says: "We wish to point out that the delegates nominated by the British Government in India to represent our country do not represent the people of India and have no sanction to enter on any commitment on India's behalf. We trust you would recognise that this violates the most elementary demands of justice in international relations for the British Government to claim to be the judge in a dispute to which it is a party.

"It is clear that peaceful development of Europe as visualised by the Yalta agreement is inconceivable without the immediate ending of imperialist domination of Asia and Africa. This process of liberation must necessarily begin with the restoration of freedom to the Indian people, for the struggle for Indian freedom is the focal point of all subject peoples. We insist that freedom of India is a practical necessity for shortening the war, a political urgency for ensuring peaceful evolution of the world and a moral imperative for the restitution of belief in international relations."

Germans Still Hold Two French Leaders

PARIS, April 16. (U.P.A.): The French telegraph service reports that former Premiers Edouard Daladier and Leon Blum were removed to an unknown place from the Buchenwald Concentration Camp on April 3.

Mrs. Churchill Meets Stalin

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter): The Soviet News Agency reports that Mrs. Churchill visited Marshal Stalin yesterday and inspected a hospital equipped from British subscriptions.

YUGOSLAV-RUSSIA BARTER AGREEMENT

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter): The Moscow radio states that a barter agreement between the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia was signed in Moscow on April 13.

When Star Did Not Foretell

Astrologer Who Forecast Attack On Hitler's Life Dead

BERNE, April 16, (Globe): Karl Ernst Krafft, Hitler's personal astrologer, has died at Buchenwald concentration camp after three years of suffering.

Krafft first studied Hitler's horoscope in 1933 just before the elections in which Hitler became Chancellor, and reported to the Wilhelmstrasse that an attack would be made on Hitler's life on a given date.

The attack was duly made and Krafft was arrested by the Gestapo on suspicion of being concerned. But Hitler intervened and summoned Krafft to Berchtesgaden, where he was given the post of personal adviser and a magnificent bedroom next door to the Fuehrer's.

Often in the middle of the night Hitler called Krafft for his astrological opinion on future plans. But his star waned when he failed to foretell Hess's flight to England and he was arrested with several high Nazis who should have known Hess's plans. Krafft's forecasts also were said to have impressed Mussolini, Finance Minister Schacht, Ribbentrop, and General Franco.

EXPLOSION SHAKES HASTINGS

LONDON, April 15 (Reuter): Early today a big explosion, the origin of which is unknown shook Hastings on the south coast and the neighbourhood.

Windows rattled buildings vibrated and the roll of explosion was probably the biggest experienced on the coast during the war.

Italy Asks For Its Gold In Reichsbank Reserve Fund

LONDON April 15(Reute): Rome rado reports that the Italian Government has asked the United States Treasury for any Italian gold which may be found to be among the reserves of the Reichsbank, discovered by Gen. Patton's troops in the salt mine in Germany.

END OF LULL IN ITALY

Battle Front Ablaze From Coast To Coast

ALLIED HQ. ITALY, April 16 (Reuter): Gen. Mark Clark, the Allied Commander in Italy, in a special supplement to today's communique announces: "The spring offensive in the Mediterranean theatre has begun."

The Italian battle front is ablaze from coast to coast.

Gen. Mark Clark officially announced that the Fifth Army launched a full-out attack.

TOSCANELLA CAPTURED

From Reuter's special correspondent: Polish troops of the Eighth Army have advanced five miles up Highway 9 and captured Toscanella near Castel San Pietro, 16 miles from Bologna.

Eighth Army troops advancing along a front four miles south-east of Imola captured the commanding mountain feature of Monte Bello in the Appenine foothills.

SECOND BRIDGEHEAD

The bridgehead across the river Sillaro astride the Lugo-Bologna highway has been strengthened and a second-bridgehead has now been established about two miles south-west of the railway.

NAZI STRENGTH

The name of the new German Commander-in-Chief in Italy is Col. General Heinrich von Vietinghoff.

Field Marshal Alexander said virtually all the German divisions in Italy are up to strength or over strength—round 10,000 men. "Also some of these divisions are the best they have."

Field Marshal Alexander disclosed that Tito's forces were actively engaging fourteen German Divisions.

VICTORY VIGILANCE IN LONDON

St. Paul's Bell-Ringers Ready On The Spot

LONDON, April 16 (U.P.I.): There is an air of expectancy everywhere. Will the church bells ring to bring the glad tidings that the war in Europe is over? Or will it be announced by sirens? Last night the bell-ringers at the St. Paul's Cathedral were keeping vigil to be on the spot to do their job. The newspapers have made special arrangements to rush through the special peace decisions the moment cessation of hostilities is announced. Even the Cabinet Ministers seem to share this expectancy feeling. Most of them are avoiding long journeys out of the capital.

There was a definite suggestion this morning that General Eisenhower will announce "officially that the war against Germany is over" as soon as the American and the Russian armies link up. It will cut Germany into two pockets which will enable the Allied Armies to mop up the remnants of the German forces quickly.

The personal view of Field Marshal Montgomery is said to be that it will take another three weeks. How long now is question asked everywhere.

VON SCHIRACH KILLED

LONDON, April 15. (Globe): "Pravda's" Vienna correspondent reports that Austria's Nazi Chief, the notorious former Hitler Youth leader, Baldur von Schirach, was killed on April 2. The circumstances are not revealed.

Hess Has "Passed From History"

LONDON, April 15 (Globe): Rudolf Hess, Fuehrer Hitler's one-time Deputy, is a mental patient in Maindiff Country Hospital, on the outskirts of Abergavenny, Monmouthshire.

Hess, according to an Express Service reporter, is "mentally and physically ill." When he first went to Maindiff, says the report, he was in fair health and good humour. He once saw a newspaper cartoon of Hitler being led to the gallows and laughed at it. "Now, Rudolph Hess, once second in command of Hitler's insane Reich, has passed from history into a world of his own."

Cotton Advisory Committee Ends Sessions

WASHINGTON, April 15 (U.P.A.)—The International Cotton Advisory Committee concluded a two-week meeting here yesterday after adopting a resolution recommending international collaboration to solve the problem of the world cotton surplus.

Collaboration of all the cotton growing nations is much to be preferred to unilateral action in disposing of surplus holdings, the resolution said. It urged the Governments of Brazil, Egypt, France, India, the United Kingdom and the United State is to appoint representatives to study liquidation of the world cotton surplus.

The resolution said that "an effective arrangement looking toward a reduction of excess supplies would require regulation of one or more of the following exports, export prices and cotton production."

The delegates of Peru refused to vote on the resolution.

MANDVI HIGH SCHOOL

The Hon. Mr. Justice Lokur, presiding over the school day celebrations of the Mandvi High School in the presence of a large gathering at Dongri on Sunday evening, stressed the necessity of more schools spreading the beacon light of literacy in the backward areas of the city, physical education, he said, was essential in a school, and what was woefully lacking in India was the presence of residential and military schools. The average Indian child suffered gravely from inferiority complex, and every effort should be made, Mr. Lokur said, to remove this. More attention should be given to removing the inferiority complex in the children, while at the same time parents should shake off the morbid timidity that envelopes them on account of rigorous social conventions.

The principal of the school, in his report, suggested that the real school for the child was home, and enjoined on the parents to pay more attention to this important fact.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

MOSCOW, April 15: Marshal Tito, in an interview with the "Red Star", said: "The population of Istria and Trieste wishes to be included into the new Yugoslavia and we are sure this wish will be carried out."

—Reuter.

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The Government of India have informed the A.I.N.E.C. that they cannot secure transport and accommodation for the Indian Journalists who were to attend the Frisco Conference.

The difficulties have rendered valuable aid at the right moment, haven't they?

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At a meeting in Town the other day, Babu Purshotamdas Tandon, Speaker, U.P. Assembly, emphasised the importance of Hindi as the national language of the country.

Now somebody should address another meeting emphasising the importance of Urdu as the national language of the country.

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In a Press statement, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan says: "On the rumours about Shri Bhulabhai Desai I must not speak."

What we want is some one who would speak on the "rumours" about Prince Liaquat Ali Khan.

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Doctor B. S. Moonje has by a judicious combination of imagination and a sort of mathematics discovered that under the Sapru scheme India will, in a matter of 25 years, become a Pakistan with a corner of Christianistan in it.

Einstein must now look to his laurels.

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It is reported from London that the British Dominions will join the United Kingdom in supporting Russia's demand for 3 votes at San Francisco.

We were sure they would. Otherwise the USSR might have raised awkward questions, at least one awkward Question.

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Only a dramatic change in Russia's interpretation of the Yalta agreement can make it possible for Poland to be represented at San Francisco.

—Washington cable.

The Russians love drama but they prefer—er—prosaic realism.

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"The Germans in Italy are", according to Field Marshal Alexander, "facing disaster."

They are also facing disaster in northern, central and southern Germany.

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Our Municipal Commissioner has, we notice, declared that art in this country is being starved.

Those also, we plead deserve pity who are fed up with art.

Sweden's Secret Aid To Britain

Helped Her To Reconstruct V-2 Bombs Last Year

LONDON, April 16 (Reuter): A complete reconstructed model of the "V-2" rocket bomb was in the hands of British experts in London several months before any were launched against Southern England, says the special correspondent in Stockholm of the "Daily Telegraph."

He cables: "The first "V-2" bomb fell in a swamp at Baeckebo parish near Kalmar in South-East Sweden on July 13 last year.

Immediately, a Swedish military cordon was thrown a mile round the area. Experts arrived from Stockholm and a systematic search for even the smallest parts of the bomb was begun. Eventually, three big army lorries loaded with scrap and twisted metal set out for Stockholm.

From that point onwards the story becomes one of urgent dramatic and highly secret diplomatic exchanges between Whitehall and the Swedish Foreign Office. It is sufficient to say it was agreed that every available fragment be placed at the British Government's disposal. They were transported in British Airways and American Transport Command planes. The second battle of London began some weeks afterwards but London was prepared."

WASHINGTON SAYS IT IS BRITISH PROBLEM

NEW YORK, April 13 (U.P.A.):—The U. S. Department of State, replying to the protest of the India League of America against the personnel of the Indian delegation to the San Francisco Conference, has refused to concern itself with what it considers solely a British problem, it was revealed to-day.

The State Department's reply, made public to-day by the India League, said that "While the Department is fully appreciative of your interest in this subject, it must be pointed out that the selection of representatives to any international conference by any country is a matter to be determined by that country's own Government."

"For that reason, it would be improper for this government to take any action along the lines indicated in your statement", the State Department's reply concluded.

Tito Says

ISTRIA & TRIESTE WANT TO JOIN YUGOSLAVIA

MOSCOW, April 15 (Reuter): Marshal Tito in an interview with the "Red Star" said: "The population of Istria and Trieste wishes to be included into the new Yugoslavia and we are sure this wish will be carried out."

'Allied Victory Unreal With India Prostrate'

Mahatma Envisages Deadlier War To Come

"JAPS AND NAZIS AS GOOD AS GONE:" BRITISH AID FOR COUNTRY'S DELIVERANCE WELCOMED

"The war will end this year or the next. It will bring victory to the Allies. The pity of it is that it will be only so-called, if it is attained with India and the like lying prostrate at the feet of the Allies. That victory will be assuredly a prelude to a deadlier war, if anything could be more deadly."

Thus writes Mahatma Gandhi in the course of a foreward to a newly published book, entitled "Gandhiji's Correspondence with the Government, 1942-44." The book was published on April 13 by the Navajivan Publishing House, Ahmedabad.

In a 15-page introduction, written by Mr. Pyarelal, Gandhiji's Secretary, the main points in the correspondence are set out and underlined. The entire correspondence is divided into nine sections. Mr. Pyarelal deals in his introduction with every section.

In the course of his introduction, he says that during Gandhiji's convalescence at Juhu, immediately after his release, "about 200 cyclostyled copies were in this way distributed with a prefatory covering letter which too is reproduced in this volume." He further says: "Great precaution was taken and no copy was sent to the Press. Enterprising news agencies, however, got scent of it and after a tussle with the central authority released parts of the correspondence to the Press.

Mr. Pyarelal throws some light on an interview Gandhiji gave to a news agency before his detention, in which he was reported to have said "After all it is an open rebellion." Mr. Pyarelal quotes the "Statesman" to show that the sentence was not found in the interview published in that paper.

The following is the text of the foreward written by Gandhiji:

NO EMBELLISHMENT

"I have read the introduction as also the originals. The introduction may be good enough for the hasty reader, but the publication is not designed for the hasty reader. It is designed for the serious worker who can affect the politics of his country and even the world affairs. To such my advice is that he must read the originals. The introduction may be used as such and an aid to memory. I want the readers I have in view to take me at my word. I have written as I felt at the moment as a seeker of long standing of Truth and Non-violence. I have written without reservation and without embellishment.

"After my accidentally premature discharge from detention and convalescence, I studied from reliable witnesses the happenings of the two years after the incarceration of principal Congressmen and myself. I have heard nothing to modify the opinion expressed in my writings under review.

"I know firsthand what has happened, since my discharge, in the various spheres of life. And I have found bitter confirmation of what I have said in the following pages. Indeed, the whole of India is a vast prison. The Viceroy is the irresponsible superintendent of the prison with numerous jailers and warders under him. The four hundred millions of India are not the only prisoners. There are others similarly situated in the other parts of the earth under other superintendents.

JAILER A PRISONER

"A jailer is as much a prisoner as his prisoner. There is no doubt a difference. From my point of view he is worse. If there is a Day of Judgment, that is, if there is a Judge whom we do not see but who, nevertheless, is much more truly than we exist for a brief moment, the judgment will go hard against the jailer and in favour of the prisoners.

"India is the only place on earth which knowingly has chosen Truth and Non-violence as the only means for her deliverance.

But deliverance to be obtained through these means must be deliverance for the whole world including the jailers otherwise described by me as tyrants and Imperialists. I need not mention Fascists or Nazis or Japanese. They seem to be as good as gone.

"The war will end this year or the next. It will bring victory to the Allies. The pity of it is that it will be only so-called if it is attained with India and the like lying prostrate at the feet of the Allies. That victory will be assuredly a prelude to a deadlier war, if anything could be more deadly.

DAY OF DELIVERANCE

"I knew that I do not need to plead for non-violent India. If India has the coin with Truth on one face and Non-violence on the other, the coin has its own inestimable value which will speak for itself. Truth and Non-violence must express humility at every step. They do not disdain real aid from any quarter, much less from those in whose name and for whom exploitation is practised. If the British and the Allies aid, so much the better. Deliverance will then come sooner. If they do not, deliverance is still certain. Only the agony of the victim will be greater, the time longer. But what are agony and time if they are spent in favour of liberty, especially when it is to be brought about through Truth and Non-violence?"

SIND CONGRESSMEN RENEW CONTACTS

Govt. May Release Politicals On "Certain Conditions"

KARACHI, April 16 (A.P.I.): Over 200 Congress workers from all over the province met here yesterday to renew contacts with the Sind Congress leaders who have been recently released from jail.

Dr. Choithram Gidwani, President of the Sind Provincial Congress Committee, addressing the gathering urged for the immediate and unconditional release of the remaining six Congressmen, including Acharya Kripalani.

It is understood that the Government of Sind is considering the question of releasing three of the six Congress detenus on certain conditions.

Sidhwa's Plea For Jail Reforms

KARACHI, April 16 (A.P.I.): A plea for the restoration of some jail reforms introduced by the late Mr. Allahbux but withdrawn by the present Ministry is made by Mr. S. K. Sidhwa, leader of the Congress Party in the Sind Assembly.

He says that in the days of the late Mr. Allahbux political prisoners were allowed the facilities to sleep outside their cells in summer, but on account of the escape of one or two, all the prisoners were now locked up in their cells at night. Escapes, he says, were made possible on account of the darkness prevailing in jails and the inadequacy of the police guards. These defects should be remedied by electrification and tripling of the guards.

Concluding, Mr. Sidhwa appeals to Government to abolish the practice of "Chaki" (grinding corn), which has recently been revived as a punishment for prisoners

ANEY EXPECTED IN DELHI

(From Our Correspondent.)

NEW DELHI, April 16.

Mr. M. S. Aney, India's representative in Ceylon is expected here by the end of this month.

Calcutta Stock Exchange

CALCUTTA, April 16.

In sympathy with a good buying, distinctly steadier tone prevailed in the market in almost all sections after the week-end. The volume of transactions was fair.

GOVERNMENT SECURITIES: 2-3/4 p. Loan 1948/52 99/14, three per cent Government Paper 51/6 S. Lot three per cent Defence Loan 1949/52 102/-, S. Lot, three per cent Victory Bonds 1957 100/1, three per cent Loan 1966/68 98/6, three and a half per cent Government Paper 100/2, three and a half per cent Loan 1947/50 103/8 S. Lot, four per cent Loan 1960/70 112/12, four and a half per cent Loan 1955/60 117/1, Five per cent Loan 1945/55 102/2, Reserve Bank 141/8.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles 12/13, Dunbar 294, New Victoria Ordy. 753.

COALS: Amalgamated 52, Bokaro and Ramgur 48/8, East Indian 37, Kuardi 1-1/4, New Beerbhoom 39/6, Pench Valley 51/12, New Churulia 13/14, Raneegunge 53/4, Satpukuria and Asansol 10/-, Sendra 23/2 South Karnapura 30/11, Talcher 12, Bhalgora 20/4, Burrakur Equitable 66/15, Nazira 19/6.

JUTES: Anglo-India 475, Barnagore 223, Budge Budge 517/8, Gourepore 880, Howrah 90, Kamarhatty 692, Kinison 384, Mgna 126, Orient 269/8, Reliance 76/8, Bally 364 S. Lot, Belvedere 542, Gondalpara 1932, India 697, Kanknarrah 585, Nuddea 126/8, Presidency 12.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corpn. 5/3, Karnapura Development 33/9, Tavoy Tin 2/8, Assam Bengal Cement 18/2, Alkali and Chemical 28/8, Arthur Butler 24/12, Bhartia Elec. Steel 22/1, Braitwaite and Co. 11/12, Indian Iron 39/5, Jessop and Co. 24/5, Kumardhubi Eng. 10/12, National Iron 11/10 Steel Corp. Ordy. 32/10, Do. (Pref) 142/4, B. I. Corpn. Ordy 6/2, Indian National Airways 24/12, British Burma Petroleum 5, Star Paper 15/4 S. Lot, Titaghur Paper 27/4, Midnapore Zemindary 170, Indian General Navgn. 184.

SUGARS: Belsund 14, Carew 26/5, Champaran 36/4, Darbhanga 25/13, Ramnugger Cane and Sugar 14/4, Samstipore 16/10.

TEAS: Kalinugger and Khoreel 135, Margaret's Hope 18/12, Mothola (Fully Paid) 634, New Chumta 110, Pashok 22/8, Tongani 20.—A. P.

MADRAS SHARE MARKET.

MADRAS, April 16.

Following are to-day's quotations:—

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan 37, Do. 85, India Sugar 31, Mysore Sugar 56/4, South India 16/8, Travancore 14/10.

PLANTINGS: Cochin Malabar 16/10, Chembra Peaks 9/1, Devashola 12/13, Fringfores 16/4, High Produce 30/4, Kalpettas 31/4, Malankara 80, Manalur 6/2 Midland 12, Nellithanam 14, Pullangodes 2/14, Thirumbadi 3/15, Vaikundam 20/3, Vellamalai 28/8, Vellitam 34/10, Woodlands 11/8.

TEXTILES: Bangalore Wol 463, B. and C. Ordy. 315, Cambodia CD 23/4, Coimbatore Spg. 146, Coimbatore Murugan 179, Do. New 93, Dhanalaxmi 324, Janardhana Dkothari Tex 31, Lakshmi 144, Do. New 72, Mysore Spun CD 23/8, Metur 250, Madura 69, Pankaj 260, Rangavilas CD 144/8, Sitaram Spg. 159, Vasantha XD 267.

MISCELLANEOUS: And Cement CE 115, Bruntons 12/4, Hind Trust 22, Ind. St. 9/15, Mysre Chem. and Fert 21/4, Mysore Chem. Mfrs. 30, Metur Chem. 16/6, Do. Dfd. 6/2, Singareni 20/12, Spencer 14.—A. P.

Ahmedabad Share Market

AHMEDABAD, April 16.

There was further bull liquidation in Calico but later firm Bombay advices affected rates favourably on higher rates, however, could be sustained.

Calico 1371, Ambika 363, Arvind Straw Board 105, Gopal 222/8/0, Jupiter 363, New Jehangir 1370, Bihari 270, Marsden 199, Monogram 161, Vijay 477/8/0, Shorrok 815, Saraspur 565.

The following shares are given in delivery at end week-end:—Calico 227, Ambika 81, Jupiter 36, Marsden 41, Monogram 22.

Gandhiji taking the salute from members of the Women's Training Camp at Borivli, on his arrival there on Wednesday morning.

Gandhiji Made Honorary President

New World Congress Of Dominated Nations

NEW YORK, April 16. (U.P.A.): Mahatma Gandhi has been named an honorary president of the New World Congress of dominated Nations which has been organised here under sponsorship of One World Association, an organization formed to promote world brotherhood.

The World Congress also has appointed an Indian Dr. Mithrapuram Alexander, to be a lecturer on foreign affairs at its forum here. Another lecturer will be a Burmese, Dr. Saw Tun.

The forum will feature lectures on Asian problems as well as those of other colonial areas—Indonesia, the West Indies, Africa and Puerto Rico.

An announcement said the Congress has decided formally to ask the British Prime Minister, Mr. Winston S. Churchill, for the immediate release of all political prisoners in India and the British West Indies and to ask the president of the United States, Mr. Harry Truman, to release all political prisoners in Puerto Rico.

DR. NAZEM AL KOUDSI

First Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Plentipotentiary of Syria to the United States, presented his credentials on March 19, 1945 to President FRANKLIN D. Roosevelt. In greeting the new Minister, President Roosevelt said he would be welcomed "not only by the thousands of our citizens of Syrian origin but also by the American people as a whole, who cherish the principles of democracy and international collaboration." The President added that the American people will try to justify the hopes of the Syrian people who look to the United Sates as a guardian and promoter of the principles of international justice and self-determination.

CORPORATION ADJOURNS

City Fathers' Tribute To Roosevelt

The Municipal Corporation adjourned on Monday without transacting any business as mark of respect to the memory of the late President Roosevelt. Dr. Alban DeSouza, who presided, made references to the sudden death of President Roosevelt and dwelt at length on the contribution of the United States in the successful prosecution of the war.

Mr. S. K. Patil then moved the condolence resolution to adjourn the House. It was seconded by Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, supported by Dr. S. P. Mehta, Mr. Gordhandas G. Morarji and Mr. M. N. Talpade and passed all standing.

The House adjourned till Thursday.

Indian Merchants' Regret

BOMBAY APRIL 14.

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber has issued the following statement regarding the death of President Roosevelt:

"The Committee of Indian Merchants' Chamber feel that President Roosevelt's death has removed a great and powerful personality from the stage of the world. America's magnificent contribution to the present war owes its inspiration principally to the dynamic decisions and great foresight of one of its greatest Presidents. President Roosevelt. India shares with the American people their sorrow at the death of this great patriot and statesman who wielded tremendous powers in shaping the destiny of mankind.

City Catholics' Condolences

A meeting of the Catholics under the auspices of the Catholic Youth Conference was held on Sunday last, at St. Xavier's College Hall, Mr. Christy Fonseca presiding. The following resolutions were passed:

"This meeting of Catholics of Bombay record with deep sense of regret the sad and sudden passing, on the eve of victory, of the late President Roosevelt, a great democrat, a great leader and a world-renowned figure."

"This meeting of the Catholics of Bombay tender their sincerest felicitations to Dr. Jos Alban D'Souza, the newly elected Mayor of Bombay, and wish him utmost success in all his endeavours to make this city of Bombay the true "urbs prima" in India."

APPEAL FOR SPREAD OF LITERACY IN INDIA

LONDON, April 15 (U.P.A.)—Major Hare Scott, in a letter to the ultra-conservative 'Sunday Times', today reiterated his appeal for the establishment "by the enlightened Government of India" of a chain of small public schools throughout India accessible to a wide range of the population.

"Such schools, well distributed and well endowed, would give the India of the future a stratum of sporting, cultured youth, which her hopes for an independent status need above all," he said.

Cholera Situation In Nasik Improves

NASIK, April 16. (A.P.I.): The cholera situation in the Nasik city has slightly improved during the past two days. Municipal anti-cholera measures are still being carried out vigorously. Six deaths and 13 attacks were reported during Saturday.

CLOTH SCARCITY MUST BE ENDED

Women Demand Increased Production & Rationing

That if the millowners were not capable of supplying the cloth requirements of the country the only alternative was to import cloth from foreign countries, was the theme of the presidential address delivered by Lady Rama Rau, presiding at a public meeting held under the auspices of the All-India Women's Conference, at Anand Bhavan, Bombay, on Monday evening.

Lady Rama Rau deeply deplored the black-market activities of cloth dealers which resulted in terrible hardships to the people.

She stated that a deputation of members of the A.I.W.C., met the Textile Controller and discussed with him the present acute scarcity in cloth. They were informed that from May 1 cloth would be rationed and that 400 cloth shops would be started for that purpose.

Miss Kapila Khandwalla moved a resolution demanding the removal of the present shortage of cloth. The resolution urged that the production of cloth should be increased. The resolution also demanded that prices should be controlled and rationing of cloth introduced. Mrs. Ranadive, Mrs. Shantabai Kashalkar, Mrs. Maiti Bedekar, Mrs. Inamdar and others also supported the resolution which was adopted.

Case Against Forward Bloc Secretary

BOMBAY, Monday.

The case against Mukundlal Sircar, General Secretary of the All-India Forward Bloc, who was arrested on May 31, 1943, being found in possession of prejudicial reports and secretly promoting the operation of the said organisation, said to be an unlawful one under Defence of India Rule 27A(3), came up before Mr. F. D. Kanga, Presidency Magistrate, Mazagaon Court, today.

Gulam Hussein Butt, Inspector of Police, Punjab, said that on suspicion he opened a book-post envelope wherein was enclosed a printed pamphlet "Azad din" containing prejudicial matter addressed by the accused.

Raja Govind Guru Govind Bose, Inspector, Lucknow, said he found some leaflets containing prejudicial matters addressed to Shalegram Gupta, Lucknow.

Raja Govind Guru Govind Bose, Inspector of Police C.I.D., special branch, Cuttack, stated that he found the accused going about with different names. On information being sent to the Bombay Police, he was arrested. The All-India Forward Bloc was banned in June 22, 1942.

The case adjourned till May 1, 1945.

Mr. R. S. Rele appeared on behalf of the accused, and Mr. S. M. Dhurandhar conducted the prosecution.

"Frank Word" To Britain

Cairo Weekly Says Egypt Dislikes Interference

CAIRO, April 15 (U.P.A.)—"It is time for the British to change their whole Middle East policy," writes "Akubar El Yom" in an article headed "A Frank Word", "and to learn that they can rely on the friendship of the Middle East countries if the latter, in turn, can be sure of British friendship and assistance."

After remarking that the British have lost many diplomatic battles which they should have won, the Arabic weekly places friendship of nations as the first engagement.

It is no secret that Egyptians have never approved of British interference in their domestic affairs; they prefer to solve their own problems and pay the price of mistake rather than to be led in a direction which others believe to be right.

The paper goes on to say that Egypt regards Britain as her natural ally, and a nation that she can reach understanding with better than any other. Similarly, she despises foreign propaganda in which money is paid to buy peoples' conscience.

Turning to the Middle East generally, it seeks an assurance that British policy to Syria and the Lebanon has not changed with the appointment of Mr. Terrance Shone in place of Sir Edward Speare. The promise of independence to these countries must be kept to show the Arabs that democracy is, in reality what it professes to be.

The problem of Palestine concerns all Arabs, and the article asserts, Britain can give the Jews another area outside Palestine for their national home.

"We have been told," concludes "Akubar El Yom," "that the atmosphere of doubt between Egypt and Britain has started to change into one of confidence and mutual desire to avoid mistakes."

Spotlight On Mikolajczyk

New Move To Settle Polish Dispute

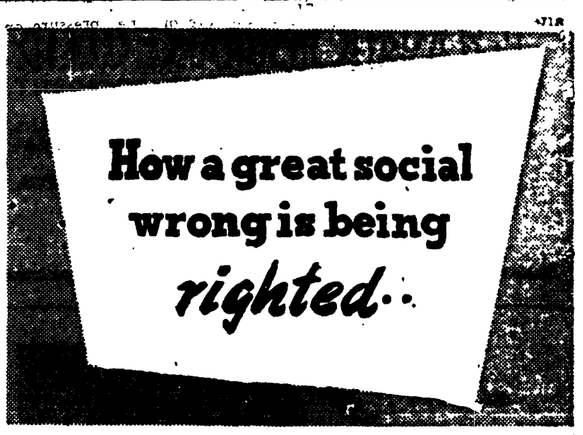
LONDON, April 16. (U. P. A.): Stanislaw Mikolajczyk, former Prime Minister of the Emigre Polish Government in London, last night made a bid for membership in the new Polish Provisional Government when he gave an outright endorsement to the Crimea Conference decision on Poland's future boundaries, says Philip Ault, "United Press of America" diplomatic correspondent.

Mikolajczyk has had strong support from the British Foreign Office for a leading position in a new "compromise" Polish regime such as that proposed at the last meeting among the Big Three. His statement, coming just before the British Prime Minister's speech in Commons on Poland and other matters, can be expected to bring a climax in Polish politics—possibly this week.

Britain is most anxious that the Crimea decisions with regard to Poland be made effective before the San Francisco Conference opens, the correspondent says.

Mikolajczyk is strongly disliked and feared by the Lublin Polish regime and repeatedly has been denounced by this group. Britain and the United States, however, are continuing to give him strong support because of his moderate policy. His status has been one of the stumbling blocks in the way of an agreement on the whole Polish question.

THREE CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS: Joint meeting of the Tardeo and Khetwadi Taluka Congress Committees held on 27th March, 31st March and 10th April passed condolence resolutions regarding the sad demises of Mrs. Venubai Songaonkar, wife of Mr S G Songaonkar, Mrs Gauri bai Khadilkar, Mother of Mr Y K Khadilkar and Mr Narayanrao Joshi, Deputy Speaker of the Bombay Legislative Assembly respectively.



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CANADIAN GENERAL ELECTIONS SURPRISE

OTTAWA, April 13 (Reuter): The announcement to an excited House of Commons by Prime Minister Mac-Kenzie King of a general election on June 11 created an unprecedented position of Dominion and Provincial vote on the same day.

Ontario announced earlier this week that election for state legislature would take place on June 11.

Political observers do not recall a similar procedure. It is regarded as a smart political manoeuvre by Prime Minister King since Ontario Liberals now are the smallest party in the Ontario House and do not seem to stand much chance of improving their position in the coming provincial election.

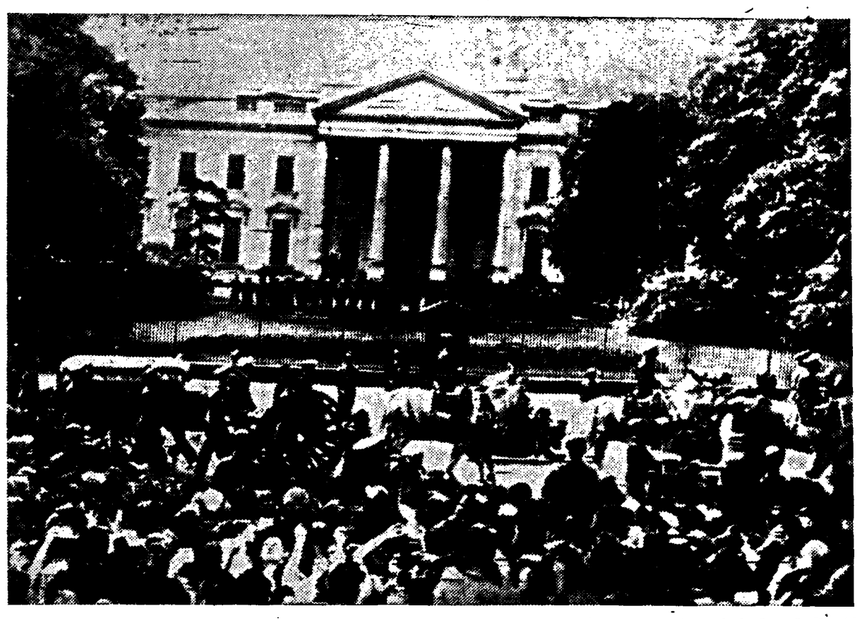
Observers feel that Mr. King by choosing the same date avoids the possibility of bad advertisement for dominion liberal forces in the event of Ontario Liberals failing to improve their standing.

Thousands Congregate For 'Darshan'

AHMEDABAD, April 16 (A.P.I.)—Five "yagnas" such as were performed by Pandavas in the days of the Mahabharat are being performed in Ahmedabad on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee Celebration of the preaching of "Gita" by Swami Vidyanandji who has opened Gita mandirs at various places in Gujarat.

Thousands of people congregate for "darshan" and to hear discourses of the various sanyasins who have arrived from all over India.

Ahmedabad being a rationed area, people voluntarily offer from their rations rationed articles for the "Yagnas." Gita Nagar near the local Gita Mandir has been created in the centre of which is erected the huge image of the "Virat" described in the Gita. Other scenes from the Gita depicted in varied colours add to the beauty of the Nagar.



HIS LAST VISIT TO THE WHITE HOUSE: A horse-drawn caisson bearing the flag-draped body of President Roosevelt passes the White House, over which the American Flag flies at half-mast. Crowds lined the street. —(U.S.O.W.I. Radiophoto)

Freedom From Exploitation Is The Real Issue

RULE OF WHITE RACES MUST GO

Bhulabhai Appeals To His Countrymen Not To Miss This Last Opportunity To Be Free

LAHORE, April 15 (A.P.I): Mr. Bhulabhai Desai presiding over the Punjab Civil Liberties Conference this evening said "President Roosevelt has left a posthumous message which will give you an idea of what I conceive to be the international basis of civil liberties."

President Roosevelt had stated "The mere conquest of our enemies is not enough we must go on to do all in our power to conquer doubts, fears, ignorance and greed which made this horror possible."

Commenting on this statement Mr. Desai said we had reached a stage in the war when the real question is what will be the condition of the world when Germany and Japan are defeated. Millions would have died in vain and wealth amounting to billions would have been destroyed in vain if once more the same issues still unsolved are to remain before the world.

Supposing the world remained as it was how could it be said that they had conquered greed—the combined greed of the white races. The real issue is what is to be the 'world of to-morrow' if the motive of ambition and greed is going to produce the same series of wars leading to the same series of destructions.

If Roosevelt's statement means anything it means that the war would have been fought in vain if the subject races who had been made to fight in this war for freedom and in the name of freedom were to remain in subjection after the war.

REAL ISSUE

If Java and Sumatra are to go back as the subject race of Holland, Indo-China to France, Malaya to England and Burma another dependency and India is to continue to be the jewel of the British Crown then we have as honest men no interest in this war and could not be expected to have any by any decent statesman of the world.

It is no longer now a mere local political issue. If the new order is going to be a replica of the past and if White races continue to rule the coloured races then the world will not accept the solution. The real issue is freedom from exploitation of one race by another and that is what I call liberty?

Proceeding Mr. Desai said: The question of India's independence should be made a major issue. It is my primary duty to tell you that our voice should be a common united voice. If peace is to be founded on genuine freedom then the freedom of the subject races is the real issue. I am more concerned to-day with the declaration of India's freedom than with anything else.

Britain has not to fight a war to free us. Britain has only to realise that every free country is a genuine friend. Britain has only reorganised its psychology and made up its mind. Only a small revolutionary psychological change can make us free.

Mr. Desai explaining the Congress attitude towards the prosecution of the war said that it was a gross misrepresentation to say that we have not offered to go to war with Germany. What was the use of fighting Germany if England was to be free and India was to remain a subject nation.

Mr. Desai said we must first get freedom to govern ourselves and then we can fashion laws for providing the individual and personal freedom of our citizens. It is for this that we want the freedom of our leaders. Let us sink all our differences and even our ideologies for the sake of attaining India's freedom.

Mr. Desai said that the platform of civil liberties should not be narrowed down to the Defence of India and the rules thereunder or the ordinances passed in aid of the efficient prosecution of the war. If it had been or even now was made our war for our freedom we would gladly suffer any amount of regimentation and consequent temporary loss of personal liberty. We would gladly and wholeheartedly fight for our own freedom and also those who compass it.

I, therefore, appeal to the people of India not to miss what may happen to be the last opportunity to gain our freedom by subordinating provincial, personal, ideological or even religious differences. Let us gain our freedom; the future will look after ourselves when we are a free people.

Concluding Mr. Desai said in place of the word "mandate" they have invented a new phrase, "trusteeship" but both import the same idea and substance of overlordship with all the result of exploitation. Let the world (before it makes the plans for the security and peace of the world by a combined armed force) know that all those arms would only have to be used against the subject races of the world for they will now refuse to remain subject despite all odds and despite all threats of dire consequences.

Dr. Kitchlew, former President of the Punjab Congress, inaugurating the Conference said Sir Firoz Khan Noon and Sir Ramaswamy Mudaliar did not represent India and any commitment made by them at the San Francisco Conference would not be binding on the Indian people.

BURMA FILM WITHHELD

LONDON, April 15: On the grounds that it does not present a balanced picture of the campaign and that the work of the British is not given sufficient credit, a film of the Burma campaign is being withheld, reveals the "Sunday Express."

The film was commissioned by SEAC and assigned to famous co-directors Frank Capra (who made "Mr. Deeds Goes to Town") and Lieut. Colonel Alexander Bryce, of the Army film unit.

It will not be shown yet—if ever.

Release is stated to have been postponed indefinitely because the film, "from the point of view of the War Office is considered unsatisfactory."

The film was taken on actual fighting terrain in Burma.

The newspaper explains that this film was intended to cover the early stages of the Burma campaign, while a second film, recording events to the fall of Mandalay, was assigned to Lt. Col. MacDonald, who made "Desert Victory."

Anglo-American Show-down With Russia?

LONDON, April 15 (U. P. A.): Britain and America must have a showdown soon with Russia on grave political differences between the two western Allies and the U.S.S.R., Philip Ault, United Press of America diplomatic correspondent, said today in a special dispatch.

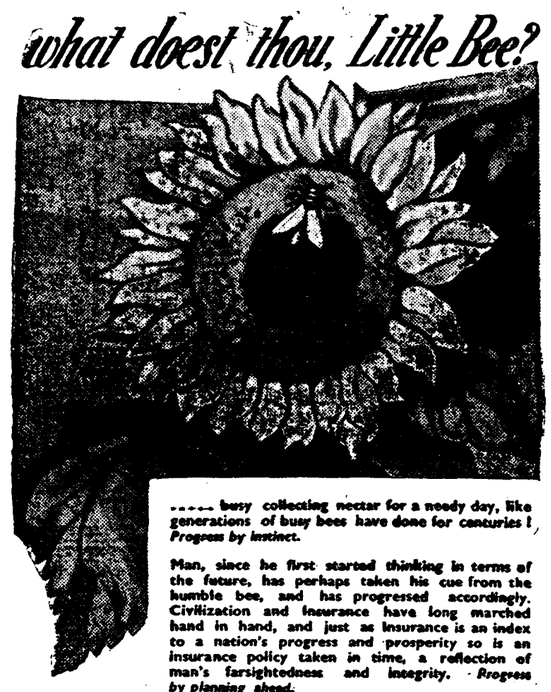
The death of President Roosevelt, who had acted as mediator between the British and Russian Premiers, has hastened the need for an adjustment of divergencies between Washington and London on the one hand and Moscow on the other the writer said.

Poland is only one of a number of questions that must be settled and some British quarters favour an immediate showdown to clear the way for the San Francisco Conference. The policy of unlimited patience with Russia, followed so long by Mr. Roosevelt, may be abandoned, the writer said.

The imminence of a complete military victory in Europe is another reason why Britain and Russia, particularly, must come to terms, the writer said. The Allies soon will be in physical occupation of a large number of European countries and they must agree on what kind of government those countries are to have.

Prime Minister Churchill will address Parliament twice this week, the correspondent pointed out, and he may give some inkling of the line to be followed towards Moscow. His first address will be on Tuesday, to pay tribute to the late President Roosevelt, and his second on Thursday, to review the war. Should the war end this week he probably will make a third address.

On the Polish question, the correspondent said, Mr. Churchill will speak for both Britain and the United States since London and Washington now are in complete agreement on this issue.



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IT WAS in May 1942 that Japanese occupied Mandalay. Before taking it they had indiscriminately bombed the city and destroyed its many ancient buildings, monasteries and pagodas. Hundreds of civilians perished and many thousands were wounded. For three years the invaders ruled this historic capital of Upper Burma. But Nemesis has now overtaken the enemy. Mandalay has been freed by men of the 14th Army.

After weeks and months of bitter fighting, our armed forces have recaptured the second largest town in Burma, inflicting heavy losses on the enemy. Indian troops fighting most gallantly in the grim battle for Mandalay helped the United Nations to inflict yet another major defeat on the Japanese. In throwing the enemy back from one stronghold after another they are making India safe against future aggression. So let us all back the attack.

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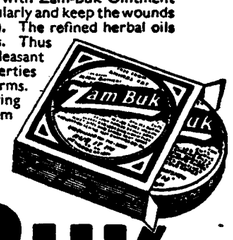

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BULLION QUOTATIONS DROP ON LIQUIDATION

Cotton Quietly Steady Despite Professional Selling

BOMBAY, April 16.

Under the influence of favourable war news, the local Share Bazar ruled quiet and particularly Steel shares declined but Bombay Dyeings were comparatively steady on active support from professional operators. As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. lost Rs. 26/- Ordinary Rs. 6/- while Bombay Dyeing declined Re. 1/4 but Kohinoors downturned Rs. 10/-.

Trading in Bullion market was commenced after the decision of the Board which fixed Budlee differences for carry-over transactions in Gold and Silver. There was general long liquidation.

Cotton market was steady during the early part of the session but professionals checked the rise with a view to cover at lower level. Tone of the market was steady with a desire to buy on declines as the fundamental position suggests higher prices.

There was some impressive buying to-day in Bombay Dyeing shares and it is said that a syndicate is formed to push up quotations. We cannot rely on such rumours but we believe that there is some active budding up in Bombay Dyeing shares. The market was irregular with an increased activity. It is claimed that the textile industry has a great future as there is world-wide shortage of cloth, but this does not mean that all our mills will be able to earn astronomical figures recorded in past years. It is a known fact that textile industry has earned fortunes as a result of war and not on merits which can be seen from pre-war profits and the extent of protection. But this has nothing to do with the market which is only a fight between bulls and bears. Tata Steel Defds opened at Rs. 2040 and after advancing to Rs. 2047 quietened at Rs. 2041. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 386 and declined to Rs. 384. Bombay Dyeings opened at Rs. 1778 and quickly rose to Rs. 1790. At this level there appeared some realising and reacted to Rs. 1785 but under renewed buying advanced to Rs. 1796. Kohinoor shares opened at Rs. 603 and ruled steady at Rs. 600.

Later on there was scattered selling and quotations sagged. The market closed at 2 p.m. when Tata Steel Defds were quoted at Rs. 2035 and Bombay Dyeings were done at Rs. 1787/8.

GOLD & SILVER

The Reserve Bank of India sold to-day 300 bars silver at Rs. 134/2 to Rs. 135/4 and 28.000 tolas gold at Rs. 74/12 to Rs. 75/7.

There being an urgent meeting of the Board of the Bullion Exchange, no business was done at the stipulated time and dealers were anxiously awaiting the decision. A strange situation has developed in the local market several members are reported to have addressed the Board as a result of the attempted corner in the market. It is said that clients refuse to accept budla business and this might lead to difficulties in the settlement. The request to the Board either to fix Budla differences or fix quotations to settle all outstanding business. The Board met on Saturday afternoon and again met this morning. Legal advice was sought and the market is anxiously awaiting the final decision. It may be mentioned that some months back there was trouble of the similar nature and the High Court upheld the request of bulls. The real trouble of the market is excessive speculative activity including even tejimandi operations. The Government has allowed only seven days for delivery but this has encouraged unrestricted speculative activity which need effective control.

Later on the Board decided to allow transfers as usual this week but from next week Budlee difference will be rupee one for Silver and annas ten for Gold. Closing quotations were as under:—

	Rs.	as.	P.
Ready Silver	132	4	0
Silver Current Settlement	132	0	0
Silver Next Settlement	129	4	0
Ready Gold	73	4	0
Gold Current Settlement	73	0	0
Gold Next Settlement	72	4	0

BOMBAY COTTON

The local cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 422 for May delivery and advanced to Rs. 423 under scattered newed selling and May declined to Rs. 420. However, the broadening demand soon improved May to Rs. 425 and later steadied at Rs. 423. The market being sold out. Shorts are inclined to transfer their sales to distant months and tone was steady.

Under a steady flow of selling May declined to Rs. 415/8 and recovered to Rs. 420/8. There was good enquiry for ready cotton and Berar Jarilla was quoted at Rs 450. To-day professionals sold about 20,000 bales and it is believed to be against extensive tejimandi operations. The market closed quietly steady at 6 p.m. as under:—

	Rs.	as.	p.
I.C.C. May	419	8	0
I.C.C. July	434	4	0
I.C.C. Sept.	445	0	0

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, April 16.

MILLS.

Ahmedabad Advance 420 (Ex. Div)
Apollo 3/13 3/12 3/12/6
Bharat 59
Bharucha 17/14
B. Dyeing 1780 78/12 83/12 77/8 90 86/4 1800 1796/4 98/12 87/8 88/12
Central India (Ord) 3/9 78/8 80 76/8 77/8
Century 915 (Ex. Div)
Colaba 209 11 10 11
Edward Textile 880 78/12 88/12 86/4
Elphinstone (Ord) 85 85/8 85
Elphinstone (Pref) 123/2 21/14 22/8
Finlay 300 300/8 300
Gokak 295 97 96 98
India United (Defd) 2/15 2/15/9 2/15/8
India United (Ord) 14/4 14/2/6 14/3/6 14/2/6 14/3
Indore 715/12 35 31/4
Kohinoor 602 5 2 4 600/8 602/8 595 96
Madhavji (Defd) 15/8
Madhusudan 405
Meyer 186 86/4 85
Minerwa 248/12
Model 235
Morarjee 709
New Great 371 72/8 70
Simplex 253 55 55/8 53/8 55/8 52/8 53
Swadesh 544 42 45 43 45 43
Swan 327 28
Tata Mills 57 58

BANKS.

Baroda 135
Central 77 77/8 77/4
Imperial (Old) 1965
Imperial (New) 487/8
India 186 86/12
National Savings (P. P.) 37/8
Reserve 134
Union 8/6
United Commercial 69/4

ELECTRIC.

Ahmedabad 220/10 30
Andhra Valley 1752/8 55 51/4
Tram (Ord) 147/4 47 47/8 47
Tram (Pref) 66/8
Surat 226/4
Hydro (Ord) 200
Hydro (Pref) 162/8 (Ex. Div)
Power (Ord) 1852/8

INSURANCE.

Empire 1075
Jupiter 29/8
New India 78
Scindia 32/2 32/6 32/4
Tata Steel (Defd) 2045 40 42/8 36/4 51/4 40 48/12 38/12 42/8 33/12 36/4
Tata Steel (Ord) 387 85 86 85 87 85 86/8 82 83/8
Tata Steel (2nd Pref) 159/12 59/8 60 59/8

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 410 11/8 10
A. Cement 232 80/8 31/4 29/8 30
Belapur 214 16 14 13
Burma (Old) 511/4
B. B. Petrol 4/14
Port Canning 104
P. Construction (Ord) 201 199/8
Shivrajpur 49
Tata Chemical 20
Tata Oil 65/8 66 65/12 66
Walchandnagar (Ord) 517/8

Bombay Produce

BOMBAY, April 16.

The local market was quietly steady with a moderate business passing. Groundnuts Khandesh quality were quoted at Rs. 14/40 and Koromondal quotation was Rs. 14/8. Nizam Bold stood at Rs. 14/1. Castorseeds Bombay ready were quoted at Rs. 15/12 and Goa delivery was placed at Rs. 15/14. Linseed C.P. and U.P. April/May Rs. 16/4, and May/June was quoted at Rs. 16/7. N. S. Rly. linseed was quoted at Rs. 16/3 while Satna small was done at Rs. 16/3.

Hapur Quotations

HAPUR, April 16.

Wheat 11/8, Dara 11, Arrivals 150 mds., Stock 4, Khattis Gram 6/-, Barley 6/6/6, Stock 27, Peas New 6/4, Old 5/6, Stock 131, Ahrar Old 6/4, New 7/3, Stock 113, Khattis Rapeseed 11/-, Arrivals 150 mds., Maize 6/2/6, Bajra 7/4, Cotton Seed 10/4, Chilki 9/4, Gur 9/8, Raw, Sugar 10/12, Wheat extremely steady on heavy local demand. Other Grains quiet. Silver 135/2, Gold 75/4, extremely steady on inflatory note issue reports and heavy Bombay bulls drive. Bardana Asuj 55/10, Chet 55/6, Guwar Baishak 7/5/9.

COTTON PARITY.

Indian Cotton May Contract is 619 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331.

New York Cotton Weekly Review

Prices advanced to the best levels since the middle of July with aggressive price-fixing by mills and the tightening spot situation influencing near months, while the backwardness of crop preparations and small acreage ideas and apprehension over the effects of the floods in the Mississippi valley together with indications that the end of the European War was practically discounted as far as the market is concerned resulted in broadening outside demand for new crops. However technical considerations resulted in occasional setbacks. Desirable grades of stocks are dwindling steadily and mills are dubious about their ability to fill necessary requirements from available free supplies. Washington officials are reported to be gratified with the amount shipped recently through lend-lease and private channels.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, April 16

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. Rates: T T 1/8 15/16 D D 1/8 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/8 31/32 D D 1/8 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/8 1/32 D D 1/8 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:

Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4.

Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:

Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4

Tone of Sterling Exchange, Quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c. Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

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HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES.

BOMBAY, April 14.

I.C.C. May Highest 420-1/2, Lowest 412 Closing at 3 p.m. 420

I.C.C. July Highest 436-1/2, Lowest 439-1/2, Closing at 3 p.m. 445-1/4.

I.C.C. Sept. Highest 447-1/2, Lowest 430-1/2, Closing at 3 p.m. 445-1/4.

Karachi 4F May Highest 43/4/0, Lowest 42/11/6, Closing at 3 p.m. 43/2/8.

METAL QUOTATIONS.

BHANGAR:

Brass Ready	156	0	0
Brass Chaitra	141	0	0
Copper Ready	150	0	0
Copper Chaitra	142	4	0

3-1/2 PER CENT PAPER.

BOMBAY, April 16.

3-1/2 per cent. Government Paper was very steady to-day at Rs. 101/1.

COTTON PROFITS FOR EGYPTIAN RURAL WELFARE.

CAIRO, (By AIR MAIL): Seven million pounds profits of the joint Anglo-Egyptian cotton commission formed during the war are to be spent on supplying the fellahin of Egypt with healthy drinking water.

The profits that will thus be used were made on the 1941-42 cotton crops. The British Government has given up half of its profits made on the sale of cotton by the commission in favour of Egyptian rural welfare. A. P. I.

EGYPT BUYS RAILS FROM BRITISH FIRMS

CAIRO, (By Air Mail): Egyptian State Railways have placed orders with British firms for rails and rolling stock to the value of £4,000,000.

The badly-needed replacements will consist of 10,000 tons of rails, 100 third class and 50 first class carriages and 3,910 goods trucks.—A. P. I.

WALL-STREET QUOTATIONS.

NEW YORK, April 13.

U. S. Steel	65-1/8
Bethelehem Steel	75-3/4
N.Y. Central R. R. Com.	23-3/8
N. Y. Central 3 p c 2013	94
N. Y. Chic: St. Louis Pfd.	124-1/4
Chesapeake & Ohio	49-1/4
Chase National Bank	40-5/8
Nat. City Bank of N. Y.	40-5/8
General Motors	66-3/4
General Electric	42-1/4
Sun Life Assurance	340 —
Canadian Pacific	12-5/8
North American	23-3/4
Radio Corpn.	11-3/8
Standard Oil of Calif:	42
Texas Corpn.	54-1/4
Socony Vacuum	16-5/8
Sinclair Oil	16-6/4
Anaconda Copper	32-3/8
Int. Nickel	32-1/2
Amer. Tel & Tel.	163
Western Union 'A'	46-3/8
Australia 5 p c 1955	106-6/8
Consolidated Edison	28
Phillips Petroleum	51-1/2
Farnsworth Telev:	14
Celanese	48-3/4
Phelps Dodge	28
United Corpn. Pref.	43

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, April 16.

Cocoanuts raw 79, Dry 76, Cocoanut oil 324, Copra office 195, Dilpasand 210, Madras Nottam 217/8, Goodgooda 220, Pepper Wynaad 375, Country 365, Dry Ginger Chernad 250, Ernad 240, Coffee Robusta 84.

BANKERS' CLEARING.

Cheques delivered through the Bombay Bankers Clearing House during the week ending 13-4-1945 were as under:—

Number of Cheques: 1,62,158.

Amout of Cheques: Rs. 46,62,70,370-15-9.

ASBESTOS CEMENT PRODUCTS: At a meeting held recently by the Controller-General of Civil Supplies with the representatives of the Asbestos Cement Industry, it is learnt, it was decided to reduce the prices of Asbestos Cement Products by 10 per cent with effect from April 1, 1945. These articles will now be sold at prices which were ruling in 1942.

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HOW TO JOIN Full details of terms of service etc., may be obtained without obligation, from any of the following A.T.R.Os/W.A.C.(I). These ladies are themselves members of the W.A.C.(I) and they will be able to tell you anything you may wish to know about life in the Corps. If you do not live near any of the towns where A.T.R.Os/W.A.C.(I) are located, you may apply to the nearest W.A.C.(I) unit commander.

BOMBAY, A.F.I. Building, Hospital Lane, Dhobi Talao CALCUTTA, c/o D.T.R.O., 28, Theatre Road. LUCKNOW, c/o T.R.O. Eastern, Hazratganj. PATNA, c/o D.T.R.O., Exhibition Road. RAWALPINDI, Gwyn Thomas Road. BANGALORE Cantonment, Cubbon Road. LAHORE, 22, Davis Road. POONA, Staunton Road. MADRAS, 3/18, Mount Road. Or apply to your nearest W.A.C.(I) Platoon Commander.

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TRANSFUSION? WHAT FOR?
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PUBLIC NOTICES

G.I.P. RAILWAY

SUBURBAN TRAIN SERVICE WITH EFFECT from 18th April, 1945, the timings of certain suburban trains (main line and Harbour Branch) will be revised. The public are requested to refer to the Sheet Time Tables at stations for correct timings. (2905)

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals) Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

AUCTION NOTICE

A PUBLIC AUCTION will be held at Ghi Centre, Kamptee, on Monday, the 20th April, 1945, at 11 a.m. for the disposal of the following ghi tins available at the Centre:

	Nos.
(a) Misc. fit Bright tins	1,30,000
(b) Unfit	23,000
(c) Cut-mouth	11,500
(d) Misc. fit black tins	1,05,000
(e) Unfit	14,000
(f) Cut-mouth	7,000
Total	2,90,500

The material may be inspected by intending purchasers by previous appointment with the Officer-in-Charge, Ghi Centre, Kamptee. Twenty per cent of the accepted offers will have to be paid on the fall of the hammer and the balance will have to be paid within 7 days of the auction. The other terms and conditions of the sale will be announced by the Officer conducting the auction. (2878)

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
CITY ENGINEER'S DEPARTMENT
(Architectural Branch)
TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the works noted below and will be received upto 1 p.m. (B.T.) on Wednesday, the 25th April 1945:—

I—Contract for works in the construction of

(1) Renewing the flooring of the two front corner rooms and painting the front portions of ground and first floors etc. of Victoria and Albert Museum, at Victoria Gardens, Byculla.
(2) Additions and alterations at the Muncipal Market, Worli.

II—Contract for works in the construction of Public Conveniences at—

(1) Tank Bunder Road.
(2) King Edward Road, Sewri.
(3) Sion Circle.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Bombay Municipality, Hornby Road, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender together with an earnest money of Rs. 2,000|- and Rs. 1,200|- respectively for each group of works which must be paid separately to the Chief Accountant.

Forms of tender, etc., will be issued to any one deputed to receive them on payment of Rs. 5|- for each tender copy by the undersigned, who will, on application give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

TENDERS MUST BE BROUGHT DULY SEALED TO THE MUNICIPAL OFFICE AND DELIVERED AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OFFICE AS DIRECTED ABOVE. TENDERERS SHALL NOT BE ALLOWED TO FILL IN OR SEAL THEIR TENDERS AT THE CHIEF ACCOUNTANT'S OR ANY OTHER MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.
Municipal Offices, Fort,
Bombay, 14th April 1945. 2899

NOTICE

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that Mr. D. L. (alias) SUDHIR HENDRE, B.A. (Hons.), LL.B. is no longer in the service of the Association and hence none should have any dealing with him on behalf of this Association.

PRESIDENT,
Bhiwndi Saree Manufacturers' Association,
Bhiwndi (Dist. Thana.) 7889

PUBLIC NOTICES

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AUCTION NOTICE

LARGE QUANTITIES of salvaged Miscellaneous General Stores, M.T. Parts, and Unserviceable Timber, will be sold by Public Auctions at the following places:—

	LOCATION	DATE AND TIME	AUCTIONEERS
1.	Port Salvage Depot, Bombay.	20-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co., 72, Medows St., Fort, Bombay.
2.	Ammunition Factory, Kirkee.	23-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Nusserwanji Sorabji & Co., 94 Main Street, Poona.
3.	M. T. Breakdown Depot, Dehu Road.	24-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.
4.	Army Salvage Depot, Ghorpuri (Poona).	25-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Nusserwanji Sorabji & Co.
5.	Salvage Sub-Depot, Trimulgherry (Secunderabad).	26-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Vazir Sultan & Sons, 141, Oxford St., Secunderabad-Dn.
6.	Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga Bombay.	27-4-45 3 P.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.
7.	Timber Stores Depot, Sewri, Bombay.	30-4-45 11 A.M.	M|s. Gandhi & Co.

The stores may be inspected at site by previous arrangement with the stockholders. Further details can be had from the Auctioneers. 2877

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NOTICE

THE CASH TRANSACTIONS of the Motor Vehicles and Taxation Departments will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 20th April, 1945.

E. SHEEHY,
Dy. Commissioner of Police,
M. V. and Taxation, Bombay.
Motor Vehicles Dept.,
Gymnasium Road, Bombay.
13th April, 1945. 2894

G. I. P. RAILWAY—TENDERS

THE CONTROLLER OF STORES invites tenders for Reconditioning of Scrap White Metal No. 6. Form obtainable from Stores Head Office, Gipstore Lane, Lower Parel Bombay, 13, at Rs. 2 per copy not refundable. Money Order or cash only. CLOSING DATE Monday the 30th April 1945 at 3 p.m. (N.S.T.). 2832

PUBLIC NOTICES

TRINITY MUTUAL ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED
HEAD OFFICE — FORT BOMBAY

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a MEETING of the Policyholders of this Company, pursuant to the Insurance Act, 1938, and Insurance Rules framed thereunder, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, 7-8. Sambava Chambers, 40-A, Sir Phirozsha Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, on Sunday 15th July 1945 at 5-30 P.M. to elect five Policyholders' Directors.

QUALIFICATIONS OF THE POLICYHOLDERS' DIRECTOR

(1) A person shall not be eligible for election as a Policyholders' Director unless he holds, otherwise than as an assignee, one or more Policies issued by the Company.

(2) The total sum assured by the Policy or Policies including any Bonuses, which may have attached to it or them before the date of election shall not be less than Rs. 1,000|- or the total sum of Annuity under the Policy or Policies shall not be less than Rs. 250|- per annum.

(3) Each policy shall have been in force for not less than one year.

Applications from persons eligible and prepared to accept office as Policyholders' Directors are invited. Such applications must be sent by Registered Post so as to reach the Registered Office of the Company, not less than TWO MONTHS before the date of the Meeting and be made in English or in the principal language of the Province of Bombay. The applicant should state in his application his full Name, Address, Policy number or numbers and the sum assured.

Every Policyholder, who desires to attend this Meeting should apply to the Company for a Certificate of Admission. Such application should reach the Registered Office of the Company not less than TWO MONTHS before the date of the Meeting. Votes may be given either personally or by Proxy. The instrument appointing a Proxy must be in writing in the prescribed Form in favour of a Policyholder and shall be presented at the above Office of the Company not less than ONE MONTH before the day of the Meeting. No Policyholder shall appoint more than one Proxy irrespective of the number of Policies he holds. Only and all person holding Policies of Life Insurance issued by the Company and having been in force at the time of election for not less than six months shall be eligible to vote at such election.

By order of the Board of Directors,
S. P. NADKARNI,
Managing Director.
Bombay, 11th April, 1945. 2896

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Triennial Elections for Wards—A, B, C, D, E, F, G and H of the Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality will be held on Sunday the 27th May, 1945, from 9-30 A.M. to 12-30 P.M. and from 3 P.M. to 7 P.M. (S.T.) at the following places:—

WARD 'A'.
Building of Lokmanya Seva Sangh, Tilak Mandir Road, Vile Parle.

WARD 'B'.
Catholic Christian School, Church Road, Vile Parle.

WARD 'C'
Goklibai P. P. High School, Rashtriya Shala Road, Vile Parle.

WARD 'D'.
Madhavdas Amersey High School, Ghodbunder Road (South), Andheri.

WARD 'E'.
Basil Gomes Hall, Mogra, Andheri.

WARD 'F'.
Rationing Office Premises, Kurla Road, Andheri.

WARD 'G'.
Local Board Office Premises, Cama Road, Andheri.

WARD 'H'.
(1) Municipal Office Premises, Nehru Road, Vile Parle,
and
(2) Gazder Hall, Andheri.

The Nomination Papers will be received by the Returning Officer, Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality upto 5 P.M. (S.T.) on Monday the 30th April, 1945, during office hours (9 A.M. to 12 Noon and 3-30 P.M. to 6-30 P.M. (S.T.) on working days at the office of the Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality at Andheri.

The Nomination Papers will be scrutinised by the Returning Officer, Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) on 1st May, 1945, at the Municipal Office at Andheri.

The counting of votes shall be commenced by the General Board of the Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality at 9 A.M. (S.T.) on Monday the 28th May, 1945, at the Municipal Office, Andheri, and may be adjourned from day to day till the counting of all the votes is over.

N. A. FARUQUI,
Collector, Bombay Sub. District.
Old Custom House Yard, Fort,
Bombay, 16th April, 1945. (2898)

PUBLIC NOTICES

No. 112|BY

Office of the Provincial Textile Controller, Kalachowki, Parel Road,

Bombay, 12th April 1945.

NOTIFICATION

IN EXERCISE of the powers conferred on me by the Textile Commissioner in his Notification No. TC (14)|44 dated the 30th December 1944, I, Jayantilal Kalyanray Thakore, Provincial Textile Controller, Bombay, hereby direct that no dealer carrying on business in yarn in the Province of Bombay shall sell or deliver or otherwise dispose of any yarn purchased by him direct from a manufacturer except to such person or persons and subject to such conditions as I may from time to time specify in this behalf; provided that nothing in this Order shall apply in relation

(1) to yarn purchased by or on behalf of a Provincial or State Government and held by any dealer for being despatched to such Province or State under the orders of the Textile Commissioner (Government of India); and

(2) to sewing thread or to yarn specially prepared for sewing.

J. K. THAKORE,
Provincial Textile Controller,
Bombay. 2895

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that REHMABAI ABDUL SHAKUR ADENWALA, SAFIABAI ABDUL SHAKUR ADENWALA and MUNIRABAI ABDUL SHAKUR ADENWALA, all of Bombay Muslims Inhabitant have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our clients.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office No. 101, Mahatma Gandhi Road (Esplanade Road), Fort, Bombay within 14 days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of Government Toka Tenure (newly assessed) together with the messuage tenements, bungalows, chawls and outhouses built and standing thereon situate, lying and being at Golanji Hill, Parel, without the Fort in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 12,047 square yards or thereabouts and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 425 of Parel, Bhoiwada and Sewri Divison and bearing Laughton's Survey No. 1B, 2483, Collector's New No. B 14248 and C. R. R. No. 6232 and registered in the Books of the Bombay Municipality under "F" Ward Nos. 2473 (1-1A), 2473 (2), 2473 (3), 2474 (1), 2474 (2), 2474 (3), 2474 (4), 2474 (5), 2474 (6), 2474 (7) and 2474 (8) and Street Nos. 1167-1167AA, 1167-A, 1167-B, 1168, 1168-A, 1168-B, 1168-C, 1168-D, 1168-E, 1168-F, and 1168-G and bounded as follows, that is to say, on or towards the North by the property of Shivlal Motilal, on or towards the South partly by the property of Soni Mahajan or Soni Community and partly by the property of Vinayekrao Balkrishnaji and another and partly by the property of Bomonji Hormusji, on or towards the West partly by Parel Tank Road and partly by the property of Bomonji Hormusji and on or towards the East partly by the property of Shivlal Motilal and partly by the Golanji Hill Road.

Dated this 14th day of April, 1945.

KHUNDERAO LAUD & CO.,
Purchasers' Attorneys. 2897

PUBLIC NOTICES

B. B. & C. I RAILWAY.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for about 100 experienced Fitters for Running Engine Sheds on the B.G. System in the scales of pay as shown below:

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(Sanction Bombay E. EX-No. 7). (2890)

NOTICE

We, the undersigned,

(1) Pravinchandra Hemchand
(2) Anilkant Hemchand

give hereby notice that we were doing business in partnership in the Mulji Jetha Market, Navi Gully, in the name and style of Hemchand Amerchand which firm is dissolved by mutual consent from Aso Vad 30th Samvat Year 2000 and by mutual consent Mr. Pravinchandra Hemchand has continued to do the said business at the said place and in the same name since the above date as the sole proprietor of the said firm.

PRAVINCHANDRA HEMCHAND,
7890 ANILKANT HEMCHAND.

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS INVITED from British and Indian States subjects for posts of Reference Assistants in Photographic Section of Bureau of Public Information, Government of India. Age 20-35. Salary Rs. 100-5-125 plus allowances as sanctioned by Government from time to time. The posts are temporary but likely to last for the duration of the war. Candidates must possess good academic qualifications. Ability to write captions for photographs and a knowledge of cataloguing and indexing and experience in journalism desirable. A selected number of candidates will be called at their own expense for interview at New Delhi before a Selection Committee. Applications giving details of educational and other qualifications, references and attested copies of testimonials should reach the Assistant Principal Information Officer, Bureau of Public Information, Government of India, New Delhi, not later than May 7, 1945. (2902)

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